Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, let me just point out that I think the Democratic leader makes a very legitimate point. Obviously, he believes there are very important issues that need to be addressed. The Patients' Bill of Rights is a very important issue. But let me also point out, Mr. President, that we have been working on this legislation for 2 years. All of Silicon Valley, especially the State of Massachusetts as well as other places where high tech is a very important part of the economy of the various States and the Nation, want this bill done.

Senator WYDEN, who is the originator of this bill, and I, along with many others, have worked very hard for a long period of time. We have made concession after concession; we have made compromise after compromise on this bill, including having the Finance Committee play a major role in it. All I hope is that on the Democrat side we can get some agreement to address the Patients' Bill of Rights, and I also ask that we make every effort to get this bill up and passed. We have approximately 11, 12 remaining legislative days, as I understand it.

I respect and understand the objection of the Democratic leader. I hope we can get this issue resolved, up and passed so that we can ensure the future of perhaps one of the most important and vital parts of America's economy.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 2279

Mr. McCAIN. So again now, Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order for the majority leader, after consultation with the Democratic leader, to proceed to S. 2279, the FAA reauthorization, and that the bill be limited to relevant amendments only, of which we will have a list shortly.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, I know others will want to be recognized for comments, including maybe the Senator from Massachusetts, before we move forward with the FAA bill.

Mr. KENNEDY. I thank the Senator from Arizona.

I just wanted to join in expressing support for our leader's position in raising this extremely important issue, the Patients' Bill of Rights. Our leader, Senator DASCHLE, has indicated a willingness to enter into agreements that would be reasonable and which would permit debate and discussion of these important matters that are at the heart of concerns of millions of American families, and to do it in a way we would not interrupt the important legislation that the Senator from Arizona has identified. We have been frustrated in having that opportunity.

We had similar difficulty earlier in terms of the minimum wage. We were able to address that, not with the outcome that some of us might have hoped but nonetheless we were able to at least get a judgment on that. And we wanted to try to also get a judgment on this matter which is of central concern to families all across this country.

I want to just add my support to the objections of Senator DASCHLE and also to express appreciation to the Senator from Arizona. We know that this is not his decision at this time to be making, but it is a leadership decision.

I thank him for his courtesy and recognize it.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Connecticut.

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, let me briefly say as well, I support what the Democratic leader is doing on this HMO issue. Hopefully, that matter can be resolved.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Connecticut.

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent I be allowed to speak as in morning business. It is not on this subject matter.

Mr. McCAIN. I object unless I know how long it is.

Mr. DODD. About 5 minutes.

Mr. McCAIN. I have no objection. The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is recognized for 5 minutes.

Y2K AND MEDICAL DEVICES

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, most of us are aware that there is a very serious computer problem, the year 2000 computer problem or Y2K problem, which has the potential to dramatically disrupt our energy, transportation, banking and health sectors, just to name a few.

As most of you know, the year 2000 computer technology problem stems from the earlier programing of two digit date codes; many old programs were written assuming the year would begin with "19." Therefore the year-2000 computer problem means that if an unknown number of programs and microchips around the world aren't fixed or replaced, computers that read "00" as the year 1900, not 2000 will fail or malfunction on January 1, 2000.

To correct this problem millions of dollars have been earmarked by government and industry to identify, correct and test the millions of lines of code and embedded chips that perform mission-critical functions.

Senator BENNETT and I co-chair the Senate's Year 2000 Committee and we are actively reviewing the progress of U.S. industry and government agencies. Both must bring their own systems into compliance and the government agencies must monitor the compliance status of the areas that they regulate.

This is truly a world-wide phenomenon, and while the United States is doing a pretty good job of playing catch up, many nations of the world have hardly begun to address their own year 2000 or Y2K problems.

From time to time I will come to the Senate floor to brief the other Members and the public on the progress of the committee's work and the highlight problems areas.

One such problem area was highlighted during the committee's hearing on health concerns. Whereas, in many industries, there are areas termed mission-critical which refers to embedded or coded systems without which the primary objective of that system fails. In the health field, there are life-critical systems which sustain human life. An example of a life-critical embedded system would be a cardiac monitor in the intensive-care unit of a hospital. If it fails, the patient could lose his or her life.

With this in mind I was deeply disturbed to learn, during one of the committee's earlier hearings, that the FDA's attempts to survey and document year 2000 compliance within the medical device industry had indicated an unacceptable low level of response. At the committee's July 23, 1998 hearing on the health care industry, I was shocked by the fact that instead of taking steps to deal with this problem, the medical device industry, as a whole, at that time, seemed to be exacerbating the problem by refusing to provide information either to the FDA or to even the hospitals and clinics which use the devices every day. I made it clear that this sort of attitude was stunningly short-sighted and could only cause harm to both the makers and users of these devices. Indeed, the committee learned that the FDA on June 28, 1998 requested that the nearly 2000 medical device manufacturers immediately respond and indicate their level of year 2000 compliance. This initial lack of response was indeed irresponsible. According to the FDA, of the nearly 1,935 medical manufacturers surveyed, approximately 755 replied.

Let me repeat this. Of the nearly 2,000 manufactures of life-critical medical devices, the FDA tells us that less than 40 percent responded to the oversight agency tasked with insuring that critical medical devices still work when you and I and the people we love are in need and might depend on this sophisticated equipment.

Again this is unacceptable. I am therefore submitting a list of those manufacturers that did not reply to the FDA's request for information to the RECORD for all Americans to see. It is my hope that these companies quickly comply and provide information as to the year 2000 readiness of these critical medical devices. It is also my hope that this will serve as a wake up call to other industries to be vigilant, responsible and pro-active in their efforts to insure that Americans wake up to a wonderful new year on January first of the year 2000.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the list of these companies be printed in the RECORD. I understand the Government Printing Office estimates the cost of printing this list to be \$1,426.00. There being no objection, the list was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

COMPANY, CITY, STATE OR COUNTRY

3d Ultrasound, Inc., Durham, NC; 3m, Tustin, CA; 3m Health Care, Ann Arbor, MI; A. Stein-R.A. Consulting, Ginot Shomron, Israel; A.S. Laerdal, Stavanger, Norway; A.Z.E. Medical, Inc., Brooklyn, NY; Abaxis, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA; Absolute X-Ray Corp., New York City, NY; Abtek Biologicals, Ltd., Liverpool, United Kingdom; Accumed Intl., Inc., Chicago, IL; Accumed Intl., Inc., Westlake, OH; Accutome, Inc., Malvern, PA; Actimed Laboratories, Inc., Burlington, NJ; Acuson Corp, Mountain View, CA; Adac Medical Technologies, Washington, MO; Adac Laboratories, Milpitas, CA.

Adac Health Information Systems, Houston, TX; Adapteck, Inc, Des Plaines, IL; Advance Scientific, Inc, Guaynabo, PR; Advanced Biomedical Devices, Inc, Andover, MA; Advanced Medical Instruments, Inc, Broken Arrow, OK; Advanced Bio-Science, Inc, Santa Clara, CA; Advanced Radiation Therapy, Cordova, TN; Advanced Nuclear Imaging Corp, Hollywood, FL; Advanced Medical Products, Inc, Columbia, SC; Advantage Medical Division of CME Telemetrix, London, Canada; Aerosport, Inc, Ann Arbor, MI; AFP Imaging Corp, Elmsford, NY; Agfa-Gevaert, NV, Mortsel, Belgium.

Air Tecniques Inc, Hicksville, NY; Air Liquide-Big Three, Inc, Houston, TX; Airgas Northeast Inc, Salem, NH; Airgas South Inc, unknown, unknown; Airgas Specialty Gases, Theodore, AL; Airgas South, Marietta, GA; Airgas Mid-Atlantic Inc, Linthicum, MD; Airgas-Mid South Inc, Tulsa, OK; Airgas-Northern California & Nevada, San Leandro, CA; Airsep Corp, Buffalo, NY; Aiv Systems, Inc, Berlin, NJ; Alaris Medical Systems, Inc, San Diego, CA; Alban Scientific, Inc, St Louis, MO.

Albyn Medical Limited, Dingwall, United Kingdom; Alcon Laboratories, Ft Worth, TX; Alcopro, Inc, Knoxville, TN; Alerchek, Inc, Portland, ME; Alert Care, Inc, Mill Valley, CA; Alexander Mfg Co, Mason City, IA; Alfa Biotech Spa, Pomezia Rome, Italy; Alko Diagnostic Corp, Holliston, MA; Aloka Co, Ltd, Tokyo, Japan; Alpha Biomedical Laboratories, Bellevue, WA; Alpha Antigens, Inc, Columbia, MO; Althin Medical, Miami Lakes, FL; Alvar, Northbrook, IL; Alza Corp, Palo Alto, CA; Ambulatory Monitoring, Inc, Ardsley, NY; Amcest Corporation, Roselle, NJ.

American Technology Exchange, Inc, Island Lake, IL; American X-Ray Co, Inc, Knoxville, TN; American Science & Engineering, Inc, Billerica, MA; American Laboratory Products, Windham, NH; American Qualex, Inc, San Clemente, CA; American Blood Resources Assn, Annapolis, MD; American Bio Medica Corp, Ancramdale, NY; American Research Products Co, Solon, OH; American National Red Cross, Arlington, VA; American Medical Systems, Inc, Minnetonka, MN.

Ameriwater, Dayton, OH; Amersham Holdings, Inc, Arlington Heights, IL; Amico Lab, Inc, Nashville, TN; Amlab, Nynashamn, Sweden; Ampcor Diagnostics, Inc, Bridgeport, NJ; Amsino Intl, Inc, Pomona, CA; Amuchina Intl, Inc, Gaithersburg, MD; Analyte Diagnostics, Inc, Hallandale, FL.

Bio-Chemistries, Analytic Inc. Feasterville, PA; Ancorvis Prof Morandi SRL, Bolonga, Italy; Andries Tek Incorporated, Austin, TX; Anesthesia Equipment Supply, Inc, Black Diamond, WA; Anesthesia Recording, Inc, Pittsburg, PA; Anesthesia Association, Inc, San Marcos. CA: Angiodynamics, Inc, Queensbury, NY; Angiodynamics, Ltd, County Wexford, Ire-NY: land; Anzai Medical Co, Ltd, Tokoyo, Japan;

Aoot Zavod Komponent Moscow, Russia; Apcot Medical Systems, Philadelphia, PA; Apelex, Bagneux, France; Apheresis Technologies, Inc, Palm Harbor, FL; Apollo Dental Products, Inc, Clovis, CA; Apothecary Products, Inc, Burnsville, MN; Applied Cardiac Systems, Laguana Hills, CA; Applied Membranes, Inc, San Marcos, CA; Applied Water Engineering, Inc, Salt Lake City, UT; Applied Biometrics, Inc, Burnsvile, MN; Applied X-Ray Technologies, Inc, Denver, CO; Applied Science Group, Inc, Bedford, MA; Applied Sciences Corp, Hsinchu City, China; Aquamatch, Inc, Laguana Hills, CA; Areeda Assoc, Ltd, Los Angeles, CA; Arndorfer Medical Specialties, Greendale, WI; Aspect Medical Systems, Inc, Natick, MA; Associates In Reliable Medical Systems Corp, Inc, Pt Charlotte. FL.

Astraea, Richmond, VA; Atl-Echo Ultrasound, Reedsville, PA; Atlas Researches, Ltd, Hod Hasharon, Israel; Atmos Medizintechnik Gmbh & Co, Lenzkirch, Germany; Audo-Aid, Inc, Hato Rey, PR; Augustine Medical, Inc, Eden Prairie, MN; Automated Medical Products Corp, New York, NY; Automated Voice Systems, Inc, Yorba Linda, CA; Automed Corp, Richmond, BC, Canada, Aventric, Technologies, Madison Heights, MI;

Avionics Specialties, Inc, Charlottesville, VA; B Braum Medical, Inc, Irvine, CA; Ballco Products, Greenwich, CT; Ban Nguyen, Westminister, CA; Banta Healthcare Products, Inc, Neenah, WI; Banyan Intl Corp, Abilene, TX; Barex, Ltd, Minneapolis, MN; Bartels, Inc, Issaquah, WA; Base Ten Systems, Inc, Trenton, NJ; Baxter Cardiovascular Group, Irvine, CA; Baxter Research Medical, Inc, Midvale, UT; Bay Shore Medical Equipment Corp, Bayshore, NY; Bay Area Medical Physics, Inc, Aptos, CA; Bayer Corp, West Haven, CT; Bayer Corp, Tarrytown, NY; Bayer Corp, Elkhart, IN.

Bayer Corp, Berkeley, CA; Baylor Biomedical Services, Dallas, TX; Bbi-Source Scientific, Inc, Garden Grove, CA; Beckman Instruments, Inc, Naguabo, PR; Beckman Instruments, Inc, Chaska, MN; Behavioral Technology, Inc, Salt Lake City, UT; Behring Diagnostics, Inc, Westwood, MA; Bei Medical System Co, Inc, Hackensack, NJ;

Beijing Imports, Houston, TX; Benchmark Reagents, Horsham Vic 3400, Australia, Berliner, Corcoran & Rowe, Washington, DC; Berthold Detection Systems, Pforzheim, Germany; BG Imaging Specialties, Inc, The Bronx, NY; Biermana and Muserlain, New York, NY; Bier, Inc, Dublin, CA; Bio-Medical Products Corp, Mendham, NJ; Bio-Mechanical Healthcare, Inc, Toronto, Canada; Bio/ Data Corporation, Horsham, PA.

Bio-Phase Diagnostics Laboratory, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada; Bio-Analytics Laboratories, Inc, Palm City, FL; Bio-Whittaker, Inc, Walkersville, MD; Bio-Test Medical, Inc, Gibsonia, PA; Bio-Tek Instruments, Inc, Winooski, VT; Bio-Instrumentation, Inc, Goleta, CA; Bio-Clin, Inc, St. Louis, MO; Bio-Logic Systems Corp, Mundelein, IL; Bio-Rad Laboratories Gmbh, Munchen, Germany; Bioanalytical Systems, Inc, West Lafayette, IN; Biochem Immunosystems, Inc, Allentown, PA.

Biochemical Diagnostic, Inc, Brentwood, NY; Biochemical Trade, Inc, Miami, FL; Biocon Do Brasil Industrial, Ltd, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil; Biodex Medical Systems, Inc, Shirley, NY; Biofeedback Instruments, Inc, New York, NY; Biofield Corp, Roswell, GA; Biogenetic Technologies, Inc, Tampa, FL; Biokinetix Corp, Stamford, CT; Biokit SA, Barcelona, Spain; Biomed Healthcare, Inc, Irvine, CA; Biomerieux Sa, Marcy Letoile, France; Bionostics, Inc, Acton, MA; Biopool Intl, Inc, West Chester, PA; Biopool Intl, Inc, Ventura, CA; Biosensor Corp, Maple Grove, MN.

Biosolve, Issaquah, WA; Biosyn, Ltd, Belfast, Ireland; Biosys Co, Ltd, Seoul, Korea; Biosystems, SA, Barcelona, Spain; Biotecx Laboratories, Inc, Houston, TX; Biotronik, Inc, Lake Oswego, OR; Biozonics, Inc, Mequon, WI; Blackhawk Biosystems, Inc, San Ramon, CA; Blood Trac Systems, Inc, Toronto, Canada; Blood Systems, Inc. Scottsdale, AZ; Blood Bank Computer Systems, Inc, Auburn, WA; Blue Spring Corp, Port Lavaca, TX; Bnos Meditech Ltd, Essex, United Kingdom; Bobes SA, Madrid, Spain; Body Watch, Inc, Winston-Salem, NC; Boehringer Mannheim Corp, Indianapolis, IN

Boehringer Biochemia Robin, SPA, Monza, Italy: Boehringer Mannheim Corp. Pleasanton, CA; Booth Medical Equipment Co, Inc., Alexander, AR; Borgatta, Mexico City, Mexico; Boston Medical Products, Inc, Westborough, MA; Boston Scientific Corp, Natick, MA; Bowles, Keathing Epsteen Hering & Lowe Chartere, Chicago, IL; Boyce Regulatory & Quality Consulting, Dallas, TX; Braemer Corporation, Burnsville, MN; Brainlab Gmbh, Heimstetten, Germany; Brand X-Ray Co, Inc, Addison, IL; Brooks Medical Systems, Inc, Everett, WA; Bruce Med Supply, Waltham, MA.

Brunswick Biomedical Technologies, Wareham, MA; Buckman Co, Inc, Concord, CA; Buffington Clinical Systems, Cleveland, OH; Buhlmann Laboratories, Schonenbuch, Switzerland; Burke Neutech, Inc, St Petersburg, FL; Burkhart Raentgen, Inc, St Petersburg, FL; Burkhart Raentgen, Inc, St Petersburg, FL; Burkhart Raentgen, Inc, St Petersburg, FL; Burkhart Corg, Inc, Mountain Lakes, NJ; C & C Oxygen Co, Chattanooga, TN; Caliber Medical Corp, Reno, NV; Calibur Dental Technologies, Inc, King City, Canada; Cambridge Heart, Inc, Bedford, MA.

Cameron Medical Corp, South Gate, CA; Camtronics, Ltd, Hartland, WI; Canon USA, Inc, Lake Success, NY; Canwest Medictex, Inc, Vancouver, Canada; Canyon Diagnostics, Inc, Anaheim, CA; Capintec, Inc, Pittsburgh, PA; Caprius, Inc, Wilmington, MA; Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc, St Paul, MN; Cardiac Telecom Corp, Turtle Creek, PA; Cardiac Evaluation Center, Inc, Milwaukee, WI; Cardiac Care Units, Inc, Woodlands Hills, CA; Cardiac Science, Inc, Irvine, CA; Cardio Control; The Netherlands, Netherlands, Cardio Technics, SA, Puebla, Mexico.

Cardiodynamics International Corp, San Diego, CA; Cardiodyne, Inc, Irvine, CA; Cardiovascular Diagnostics, Inc, Raleigh, NC; Caring Technologies, Inc, Bethesda, MD; Caroba Plastics, Inc, Englewood, CO; Carolina Liquid Chemistries Corp, Brea, CA; Carter-Wallace, Inc, Cranbury, NJ; Cassling Diagnostics Imaging, Omaha, NE; Catalyst Research Corp, Owings Mills, MD; CDC Technologies, Inc, Oxford, CT; Cemax-Icon, Inc, Fremont, CA; Cenogenics Corp, Morganville, NJ.

Cerium Visual Technologies. Ltd. Tenterden, United Kingdom; Cerner Corp, Kansas City, MO; Chadwick Miller, Inc, Canton, MA; Challenge Unlimited, Inc, Alton, IL; Chem-Index, Inc, Hialeah, FL; Chembio Diagnostic Systems, Inc, Medford, NY; China National Medicines & Health Products, Beijing, China; Chisolm Biological Laboratory, Aiken, SC; Chori America, Inc, New York, NY; Cimetra, West Chazy, NY; Cine Graphics, Inc, Grand Prairie, TX; Circuit Board Assemblers, Inc, Youngsville, NC; Cirrus Air Technologies, Locust Valley, NY; Clin-Chem Mfg, Minden, NV.

Clinetics Corporation, Tustin, CA; Clinical Standards Laboratories, Inc, Rancho Dominguez, CA; Clinical Diagnostics, Inc, Chester, SC; Clinico, Bad Hersfeld, Germany; Clinicomp International, Inc, San Diego, CA; Clover International Corp, Tokyo, Japan; Cobe Cardiovascular, Inc, Arvada, CO; Cobe Bct, Inc, Lakewood, CO; Coeur Laboratories, Inc, Raleigh, NC; Colin Corp, Komaki City, Japan; Colin Medical Instruments Corp, San Antonio, TX; Colorado Medtech, Inc, Longmont, CO; Columbis Scientific, Inc, Columbia, MD; Columbus Instruments Intl Corp, Columbus, OH.

Combined Instruments, Ltd, Sailkot, Pakistan; Comet AG, Liebefeld, Switzerland; Communications & Power Industries Canada, Inc, Georgetown, Canada; Composite Health Care System, Falls Church, VA; Composites Horizons, Inc, Covina, CA; Compumedics Sleep Pty Ltd, Melbourne, Australia; Compur-Electronic, Munich, Germany; Computerized Screening, Inc, Sparks, NV; Concord E & I, Woodstock, IL; Consulting Western Services, Lakewood, CA; Consumer Sensory Products, Inc, Palo Alto, CA; Continental Laboratory Products, Inc, San Diego, CA.

Cook Vascular, Inc, Leechburg, PA; Cordis Corporation, Miami Lakes, FL; Cordis Webster, Inc, Baldwin Park, CA; Cordis Corporation, Warren, NJ; Corning Samco Corp, San Fernando, CA; Corning, Inc, Corning, NY; Corp Brothers, Inc, Providence, RI; Cortex Biophysik, Frankfurt, Germany; Cranford X-Ray Co, Houston, TX. Creative Medical Development, Inc, Ne-

Creative Medical Development, Inc, Nevada City, CA; Creative Biomedics, San Clemente, CA; Creative Health Products, Inc, Plymouth, MI; Critical Care Systems, Inc, Hollywood, FL; Critikon, Tampa, FL; Crossover Industry Products, Inc, Norwalk, CA; Crystal, Berlin, Germany; CTI Pet Systems, Inc, Knoxville, TN; CTI Services, Inc, Knoxville, TN; Custom X-Ray Service, Inc, Phoenix, AZ; Custom Med, Munchen, Germany; Cyberlab, Inc, Brookfield, CT; Cygnus, Inc, Patterson, NJ; Dacomed Corp, Newport Beach, CA; Dade Microscan, Inc, West Sacramento, CA.

Dade Chemistry Systems, Inc, Newark, DE; Dae II Tech Co, Ltd, Seoul, Korea; Daily Medical Products, Inc, San Diego, CA; Danby Medical Ltd, Essex, England; Dantec Medical, Inc, Allendale, NJ; Data Medical Associates, Inc, Arlington, TX; Dav-Mar Medical Products, Inc, Commack, NY; Dayton Water Systems, Dayton, OH; Del Medical Systems Corp, Valhalla, NY; Delta Quality Consulting, Plano, TX; Department of Veterans Affairs, Bay Pines, FL; Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC; Deputy Intl, Ltd, Leeds, United Kingdom; Deroyal Industries, Inc. Powell, TN.

Dexall Biomedical Labs, Inc, Gaithersburg, MD; DGH Technology, Inc, Exton, PA; Diabetes Control & Care Technology, Eden Prairie, MN; Diagnostic Technology, Inc, Hauppauge, NY; Diagnostic Monitoring, Irvine, CA; Diagnostic Medical Systems, Inc, Fargo, ND; Diagnostic Systems Laboratories, Webster, TX; Diagnostic Monitoring Software, Tustin, CA; Diagnostic Resources, Inc, Bay Port, NY; Diagnostic Specialties, Metuchen, NJ; Diagnostic Instruments, Inc, Lorain, OH; Diagnostics Biochem Canada, Inc, London, Canada; Diamedix Corp, Miami, FL. Diametrics Medical, Inc, Roseville, MN;

Diametrics Medical, Ltd, HIgh Wycombe, United Kingdom; Diasorin/American Standard Co, Columbia, MD; Diasorin, Columbia, MD; Diasys Corp, Waterbury, CT; Diatech Diagnostics, Inc, Boston, MA; Difco Laboratories, Inc, Detroit, MI; Digi-Trax Corp, Buffalo Grove, IL; Digicare Biomedical Tech-West Palm Beach, nology, Inc. FL: Digivision, Inc, San Diego, CA; Dimeda Instrumente, Tuttlingen, Germany; Direct Healthhouse, Marketing Enterprises Westbury, NY; Dis-Digital Systems, Inc, Walnut, CA: Disetronic Medical Systems, Minneapolis, MN.

Diversified Electronics Co, Inc, Philadelphia, PA; DM Davis, Inc, New York, NY; Dolphin Imaging Systems, Woodland Hills, CA; Dong-A Medical Imaging, Inc, Santa Fe Springs, CA; Dong Bang, Santa Fe Springs, CA; Dornier Medical Systems, Kennesaw, GA; Dornier Surgical Products, Inc, Phoenix, AZ; DPA Consulting, Inc, Urbanna, VA; Drager, Inc, Telford, PA; DRG International, Inc, Mountainside, NJ; Drug Screening Systems, Inc, Blackwood, NJ; Dynamic Industries Ltd, Siaikot, Pakistan; E K Ind Inc, Joilet, IL; E-Systems Medical Electronics Inc. San Antonio, TX.

E I Du Pont De Nemours and Company, Inc, Wilmington, DE; E Merck, Darmstadt, Germany; E & M Engineering, Inc, Richmond, VA; Eagle Diagnostics, DeSoto, TX; Eagle Health Supplies, Orange, CA; Eastern Anesthesia, Inc, Newtown, PA; Eastern Ex-Enterprises, Wazirabad, Pakistan: port Eaton Care Telemetry, Inc, Manchester, MI; Edap Technomed, Inc, Burlington, MA; Eigen Video, Nevada City, CA; Eiken Chemical Company, Inc, Venice, CA: Eisner Cit Medizintechnik Gmbh, Balgheim, Germany; Elcat, Gmbh, Wolfratshausen, Germany.

Electron Company, Ltd, Taipei, China; Electron-Catheter, Company, Rahway, NJ; Electronics Controls Design, Inc, Milwaukie, OR; Electronic Monitors International Corp, Euless, TX; Electronic Design & Research, Louisville, KY; Electronic Services Mart, Inc, St. Louis, MO; Elekon Industries USA, Inc, Torrance, CA; Elekta Instruments, Inc, Atlanta, GA; Elema-Schonander, Hoffman Estates, IL; Elgems, Ltd, Haifa, Israel; Elias USA Inc, Osceola, WI.

Em Science, Gibbstown, NJ; Emma Marketing Company, Edison, NJ; Ems Products, Inc, Kirkland, WA; Ems Handelsgesellschaft MBH, Korneburg, Austria; Endocrine Sciences, Calabasas Hills, CA; Endoscopy Technology, Inc, Miami, FL; Endosonics Corp, Rancho Gordova, CA; Enthermics Medical Systems, Inc, Menomonee Falls, WI; Environmental Tectonics Corp, Southampton, PA; Enzo Biochem, Inc, Farmingdale, NY; Ep Medsystems, Inc, Mount Arlington, NJ.

Epoch Pharmaceuticals, Inc, Bothell, WA: Eppendorf Geratebau Netheler & Hinz, Attleboro, MA: Erbrich Instrumente Embh Tuttlingen-16, Germany; Eschenbach Optik of America, Ridgefield, CT; Eschmann Equipment, Lancing, Sussex, United Kingdom; Eschweiler Gmbh & Company, Kiel, Germany; Estrin Consulting Group, Potomac, MD: Eucardio Laboratory, Inc. San Diego, CA; Euro Advanced Technics, Barcelona, Spain; Europa Scientific, Ltd, Crewe Cheshire. United Kingdom: Ewa Industries. Inc. Miami, FL; Exocell, Inc, Philadelphia, PA; Falcon Surgical Company, Sialkot, Pakistan.

Feinfocus Medizintechnik Gmbh, Garbsen, Germany; Ferring Pharmaceuticals Inc, Tarrytown, NY; Fertility Technologies, Inc, Natick, MA; Fiberstars, Inc, Fremont, CA; Fidelity Medical, Inc, Fairfield, NJ; Fidelity Medical, Inc, Florham Park, NJ; Firehouse Medical, Inc, Anaheim, CA; Fischer Industries Incorporated, Geneva, IL; Fitcraft International, Inc, Rosemead, CA; Flowscan, Inc, Mill Valley, CA; Flowtronics, Inc, Phoenix, AZ; Fmc Bioproducts, Div Fmc Corp, Rockland, ME; Focal Corp, Tokyo, Japan; Focus Biomedical Technologies, Inc, Ontario, Canada.

Forefront Diagnostics, Inc, Laguna Hills, CA; Foshan Analytical Equipment Corporation, Foshan, China; Fresco Podologia S L, Barcelona, Spain; Fresenius Medical Care North America, Lexington, MA; Fukuda Denshi America Corp, Redmond, WA; Fukuda M-E Kogyo Company, Ltd, Tokyo, Japan; Fukuda Denshi Co, LTD, Tokyo, Japan; Fukuda Denshi Co, LTD, Tokyo, Japan; Fukuda Denshi Co, LTD, Tokyo, Ganada; G & J Electronics, Inc, Ontario, Canada; G U Manufacturing, London, United Kingdom; G Dundas Company, Black Diamond, WA; Gallant International, Inc, Flushing, NY.

Gambro Healthcare, Lakewood, CO; Gamma Biologicals, Inc, Houston, TX; Gammex, Inc, Middleton, WI; Gas Tech, Hillside, IL; Gateway Airgas, St Louis, MO; Gatron Corporation, Woburn, Gds MA; Elkhart, Techology, IN; Inc, Gelco Diagnostics, Inc, Shreveport, LA: Gelman Sciences, Inc, Ann Arbor, MI; Gendex-Del Medical Imaging Corp, Franklin Park, IL; General Laboratory Instruments, Delhi, India: General Medical, Inc. Clearwater, FL: Genesis Medical Technology, Inc, Owings Mills, MD: Genzyme Corp. Cambridge, MA: Geopure Systems & Services, Inc. Orlando, FL: Gerard Enterprises. Inc. Waukesha. WI: Glass Hi Tech Srl, Masera'Di Padova, Italy.

Victgoria, Australia Ply Ltd, Glaxo Boronia, Australia; Global Surgical Corporation, St. Louis, MO; GNS Audiometrics, Inc, Wheeling, IL; Go-Mi, Inc, San Anselemo, CA; Go Medical Industries Pty Ltd, Subiaco Perth, Australia; Golden Pacific Industrial Ltd, Tsuen Wan Nt, Hong Kong; Gordon N Stowe and Associates, Wheeling, IL; Graphic Controls Corp, Buffalo, NY; Great Smokies Diagnostic, Asheville, NC; Grundig Professional Electronics Gmbh, Fuerth/Bavaria, Germany; Guest Medical, Ltd, Edenbridge, Kent, United Kingdom; Gulmay Medical Ltd, Shepperton, Middlesex, United Kingdom.

N.T. Hacker Industries, Inc, Fairfield, Haemonetics Corp, Braintree, MA; Hal-Hen Co Inc, Long Island City, NY; Hamamatsu Corp, Bridgewater, NJ; Hamilton Medical, Inc, Reno, NV; Harley Street Software Ltd, Victoria, BC, Canada: Harpell Associates. Inc, Oakville, Ontario, Canada; Harrigan Medical Products, Inc, Manchester, VT: Harta Corp, Gaithersburg, MD; Hawaii Mega-Cor, Inc, Aiea, HI; Hawksley & Sons Ltd, Lancing, West Sussex, United Kingdom; HBCI, Los Angeles, CA; Health Images, Inc, Alpharetta. GA: Healthcentric. LLC Secauscus, NJ.

Healthdyne Technologies, Marietta, GA; Heartlab, Inc, Westerly, RI; Heartstream, Inc, Seattle, WA; Helena Laboratories, Beaumont, TX; Helix Diagnostics, Inc, West Sacramento, CA; Heller Laboratories, Sparks, NV; Hermes Systems, SA, Angleur, Belgium; Hi-Tronics Designs, Inc, Budd Lake, NJ; Hichem Diagnostics, Brea, CA; Hill-Rom Air Shields, Hatboro, PA; Hill-Med Inc, Miami, FL; Hillusa, Inc, Miami, FL; Hitachi, Ltd, Hitachinaka, Japan; Hitachi Instruments, Inc, San Jose, CA; Hitachi Science Systems, Ltd, Hitachinaka-Shi, Japan; Hitachi Medical Systems America, Inc, Twinsburg, OH.

Hobbs Medical, Inc, Stafford Springs, CT; Hofmann-Nagel Medical Systems, Inc, Irvine, CA; Hogan & Hartson, Washington, DC; Home Diagnostics, Inc, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Honda Electronics Company, Ltd, Toyohashi, Aichi, Japan; Hope Imaging Corp, Willow Grove, PA; Horizon Medical Products, Inc, Manchester, GA; Horizons Research Laboratories Inc, Margate, FL; Hortmann Ag, Neckartenzlingen, Germany; Hti Technologies, St Petersburg, FL; Hudson Respiratory Care, Inc, Temecula, CA; Hugh Steeper Ltd, London, United Kingdom.

Huntleigh Technology, Inc, Manalapan, NJ: Hycor Biomedical, Inc. Garden Grove, CA; Hyundai Pharmaceutical Ind Co Ltd, Bucheon City, Republic of Korea: I-Fuii Enterprise Company, Ltd, Ping-Tung Hsein, China; I-Flow Corp, Lake Forest, CA; I-Stat Corp, Princeton, NJ; Ia Systems, Inc, Albany, NY; Ibl Gmbh, Hamburg, Germany; Ics Schaumburg, IL; Medical Corp, Ifci/ Clonesvstems Spa, Casalecchio Di Reno, Italy; Igen International, Inc, Gaithersburg, MD: Ihara Medics US. Inc. Valencia, CA: Image Analysis, Inc, Columbia, KY; Imaging Accessories, Inc, Salt Lake City, UT.

Imatron, Inc, South San Francisco, CA; Immco Diagnostics, Inc, Buffalo, NY; Immunalysis Corp, San Dimas, CA; Immuno Gmbh, Heidelberg, Germany; Immuno Concepts Inc, Sacramento, CA; Immuno-Diagnostic Lab and Products, La Mirada, CA; September 23, 1998

FL. Innovative Concept Development, Inc, Littleton, CO; Innovative Imaging, Inc, Sacramento, CA; Innovative Medical Systems Corp, Ivyland, PA; Inovix Imaging Technologies, Inc, Rockville, MD; Instromedix, Inc, Hillsboro, OR; Instrumentarium Imaging, Tuusula, Finland; Instrumentation Laboratory, Lexington, MA; Instrumentation for Medicine, Inc, Greenwich, CT; Integra Biosciences, Inc, Lowell, MA; Integrated Display Technology, Ltd, Hunghom, Hong Kong; Integrated Diagnostics, Inc, Baltimore, MD; Integrity Products, Inc, Grandview, MO.

Integrated Medical Devices Inc, Syracuse, NY; International Newtech Development, Inc, Delta, Canada; International Medical Industries, Coral Springs, FL; International Diagnostics Group Plc, Bury, United Kingdom; International Medical Equipment Brokers, Mandeville, LA; International Hospital Supply Company, Los Angeles, CA; Inventive Products, Inc, Decatur, IL; Inveresk Research (NA), Inc, San Rafael, CA; Invitro Diagnostika Gmbh, Mainz Kastel, Germany; Invivo Research, Inc, Orlando, FL; Ionetics Inc, Fountain Valley, CA; Iowa Doppler Products, Inc, Iowa City, IA.

Ironwood Industries, Inc, Libertyville, IL; Ite Sheltered Workshop, St Louis, MO; Itt Electro Optical Products Div, Roanoke County, VA; IV Diagnostics, Inc, Shelton, CT; J S Biomedicals, Inc, Ventura, CA; J J Consulting Services, Inc, Miami, FL; J & M Cylinder Gases, Inc, Decatur, AL; J & T Instruments, Tuttlingen, Germany; J & S Medical Associates, Inc, Framingham, MA; Jaco Medical Equipment, Inc, San Diego, CA; Jamieson Film Company, Dallas, TX; Jayza Corp, Miami, FL; Jim's Instrument Mfg, Inc, Iowa City, IA; Johnson & Johnson Professionals, Inc, Raynham, MA.

Johnson & Johnson Clinical Diagnostics, Inc, Rochester, NY; Jones Medical Instrument Co, Oak Brook, IL; Jostra USA, Austin, TX; Jouan S A, Saint Herblain, France; Jpi, Inc, Santa Monica, CA; JS & A Group, Las Vegas, NV; Jungwon Precision Ind Co Ltd, Seoul, Republic of Korea; K W Griffen Company, Norwalk, CT; Kam Ma Trading Company, Tsuen Wan, Hong Kong; Kardiosis Ltd Co, Ankara, Turkey; Karmel Medical Acoustic Technologies Ltd, Tirat Hacarmel, Israel; KAS and Associates, Nottingham, United Kingdom; Kasha Software, Inc, Charlotte, NC.

Katecho, Inc, Des Moines, IA; Kaulson Laboratories, Inc, West Caldwell, NJ; Keithley Instruments, Inc, Solon, OH; Keomed, Inc, Minnetonka, MN; Kimble Glass, Inc, Vineland, NJ; King Diagnostics, Inc, Indianapolis, IN; KNC Systems, Inc, Merrimack, NH; Knighton Limited, Buckhurst Hill, Essex, United Kingdom; Koda and Androlia, Los Angeles, CA; Komed, Budapest, Hungary; Konica Corporation, Hino City, Tokyo, Japan; Kontron Instruments Ag, Basel, Schweiz, Germany; Kowa Optimed, Inc, Torrance, CA; Kumar, Inc, Rio Piedros, PR; Kurt K Fetzer, Tuttlingen, Germany.

Kwm Électronics Corp, West Jordan, UT; L-3 Communications Corp, Camden, NJ; L2 Systems, Inc, Austin, TX; La Mont Medical, Inc, Madison, WI; Lab Vision Corp, Fremont, CA; Labconco Corp, Kansas City, KS; Laboratories Knickerbocker, Barcelona, Spain; Laboratory Equipment Corp, Mooresville, IN; Labsystems Oy, Helsinki, Finland; Ladd Research Industries, Inc, Burlington, VT; Lallvet Medical, Inc, West Allis, WI; LC

Technologies, Inc, Fairfax, VA; Le Medikon Products Inc, Anaheim, CA; Leocor Inc, Houston, TX; Lexicor Medical Technology, Inc, Boulder, CO.

Life Sciences International, Ltd, Astmoor, Runcorn, Cheshire, United Kingdom; Life Tech International Inc, Stafford, TX; Lifecare Medical International Corp, Philadelphia, PA; Lifeline Systems, Inc, Cambridge, MA; Lifescan, Inc, Milpitas, CA; Lifesensors, Inc, Upper Montclair, NJ; Lifesign LLC, Somerset, NJ; Light Diagnostics, Temecula, CA; Lightner Specialty Gas, Inc, Wichita, KS; Linsure Industries, Ltd, Taipei, Taiwan; Liston Scientific Corp, Irvine, CA; Localmed, Inc, Palo Alto, CA; London Health Sciences Centre, London, Ontario, Canada; Low High Enterprise Co, Ltd, Kaohsiung, China.

Lp Italiana Špa, Milano, Italy; Luminaud, Inc, Mentor, OH; Lumisys, Inc, Tucson, AZ; Lumitex, Inc, Strongsville, OH; Lunar Corp, Madison, WI; Luxilon, Antwerp, Belgium; LXN Corp, San Diego, CA; Lyons Medical Instrument, Sylmar, CA; M I T Service, Inc, San Diego, CA; M & C Specialties Company, Southampton, PA; M A S, Inc, Burlington, NJ; Mabis Healthcare, Inc, Lake Forest, IL; Madsys Inc, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ; Magna Medical, Inc, Miami, FL; Magna-Lab, Inc, Syosset, NY; Magnetic Research, Inc, Provo, UT.

Maine Oxy-Acetylene Supply Company, Auburn, ME; Mallinckrodt Inc, St Louis, MO; Mardx Diagnostics, Inc, Carlsbad, CA; Marox Corporation, Springfield, MA; Marquette Hellige, Freiburg, Germany; Mars Metal Company, Ltd, Yorba Linda, CA; Master-Pak Lab, Inc, Paterson, NJ; Mathys Medical Ltd, Bettlach, Switzerland; Matreya, Inc, Pleasant Gap, PA; Matsuhita Communication Industrial Company, Ltd, Yokohama, Kanagawa, Japan; Maxxim Medical, Inc, Athens, TX; MBI Inc, Las Vegas, NV; Mca Software Services, Inc, Tucson, AZ; Med-Acoustics, Inc, Stone Mountain, GA.

Med-I-Co, Signal Hill, CA; Medamicus, Inc, Minneapolis, MN; Medela Inc, McHenry, IL; Medese Ag, Zurich, Switzerland; Medex, Inc, Hilliard, OH; Medgyn Products, Inc, Oak Brook, IL; Medi Nuclear Corp, Inc, Baldwin Park, CA; Medic, Inc, Omaha, NE; Medical Physics Colorado Inc, Boulder, CO; Medical Information Systems of Maryland, Baltimore, MD; Medical Information Technology, Inc, Westwood, MA; Medical Analysis Systems, Inc, Camarillo, CA; Medical Measurements, Inc, Hackensack, NJ; Medical Technical Gases Inc, Medford, MA; Medical Systems Engineering, Inc, Oakland, CA.

Medical Chemical Corp, Santa Monica, CA; Medical Reports Exchange Inc, Baltimore, MD; Medical Imaging Technology Associates, Inc, Mainland, PA; Medical Knowledge Systems, Inc, Boulder, CO; Medical Systems Engineering, Inc, Baltimore, MD; Medical Data Electronics, Inc, Arleta, CA; Medical Device Industry, St Wendel, Germany; Medication Delivery Devices, Inc., San Diego, CA; Medicor, Budapest, Hungary; Medilink, Montpellier, France; Medim Histotechnologie, Germany; Gieben. Medimatic, New York, NY; Medionics International Inc, Markham, Ontario, Canada.

Medis S R L, Milano, Italy; Medisense, Inc, Bedford, MA; Medisense Contract Manufacturing, Ltd, Abingdon, Oxon, United Kingdom; Medisol Ltd Medical Products, St Louis, MO; Medison America, Inc. Pleasanton, CA; Medisurg Industries, Inc, VA; Meditec, Herndon. Company Ltd. Dongdaemun-Ku, Seoul, Republic of Korea; Mediware Information Systems, Inc, Melville, NY; Medro Systems, Inc, McKinney, TX; Medstone International, Inc, Aliso Viejo, CA; Medsys, Inc, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ; Medtec Corp, Chapel Hill, NC; Medtronic Ps Medical, Goleta, CA.

Medtronic Bio-Medicus, Inc, Eden Prairie, MN; Medtronic Neurological, Minneapolis, MN; Medx, Inc, Arlington Heights, IL; Mela Gmbh Elektromdizin, Munich, Germany; Melco Wire Products Co, Glendale, CA; Memtec Corporation, Salem, NH; Mentor Corp, Santa Barbara, CA; Mercodia, Uppsala, Sweden; Mercury Enterprises, Inc, Clearwater, FL; Merss Corp, Indianapolis, IN; Mesys, Hanover, Germany; Metavox, Inc, Vienna, VA; Metra Biosystems, Inc, Mountain View, CA; Metraco Diagnostics, Inc, Houston, TX; Michigan Airgas, Midland, MI.

Micro Focus Imaging, Inc, Wheeling, IL; Micro-Shev Limited, Efrat, Israel; Micro-Processor Services, Inc, Huntington Station, NY; Micromedical, Inc, Northbrook, IL; Microwave Medical Systems, Inc, Acton, MA; Mie America, Inc, Elk Grove Village, IL; Millar Instruments, Inc, Houston, TX; Millennia Technology, Inc, Cheswick, PA; Mine Safety Appliances, Co, Cranberry Township, PA; Mir Medical International Research, Roma, Italy; Mitsubishi Electronics America, Inc, Somerset, NJ; Mizuho USA, Inc., San Diego, CA; Modular Instruments, Inc., Malvern, PA.

Moduls Data Systems, Inc, Santa Clara, CA: Molecular Bio-Products Service Corp. San Diego, CA; Monarch Medical Equipment, Ltd, Staten Island, NY; Monobind, Costa Mesa, CA; Morgan Medical Ltd, Rainham, Kent, United Kingdom; Mortara Instrument, Inc, Milwaukee, WI; MPI Medical Products, Inc. Miami, FL; MRI Devices Corp, Waukesha, WI; MTC-Quintiles, Rockville, MD; MUI Scientific, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada; Multidata Systems International Corp, St Louis, MO; Multigon Industries, Inc, Yonkers, NY; Multisciences, Inc, Berwick, ME; Multispiro/Creative Biomedics, San Clemente, CA.

MWI, Inc, Dallas, TX; Myraid Ultrasound Systems, Inc, Englewood, NJ; N-Ject LPP, McHenry, IL; Nagase Corp, Tokyo, Japan; National Medical Services, Inc, Willow Grove, PA; National Instrument Company, Inc, Baltimore, MD; NBS Medical, Inc, Costa Mesa, CA; NCS Healthcare of Oklahoma, Del City, OK; NCS Diagnostics, Inc, Etobicoke, Ontario, Canada; Neal Compton Enterprises, Inc, Benicia, CA; Nellcor Puritan Benntt Ireland, Ltd, Galway, Ireland; Nen Life Science Products Inc, Boston, MA; Neogenesis Corp, East Northport, NY.

Neometrics, Inc, East Northport, NY; Neopath, Inc, Redmond, WA; Neoterik Health Technologies, Inc, Woodsboro, MD; Network Concepts Inc, Middleton, WI: Neurocom International, Inc, Clackamas, OR; Neuromedical Systems, Inc, Suffern, NY; Neuroscientific Corp, Penndel, PA; Neurotron, Inc, Lawrenceville, NJ; New York Blood Center, Inc, New York, NY; New Product Development, Inc, East Syracuse, NY; Newmed Corp, Richardson, TX; Nexair, LLC, Memphis, TN; Nexell Therapeutics, Inc, CA; Nichimen Irvine, Europe Plc. Duesseldorf, Germany.

Nichiryo Co Ltd, Tokyo, Japan; Nichols Institute Diagnostics, San Juan, CA; Nicolet Vascular Inc, Golden, CO; Nidek Inc, Fremont, CA; Nihome Seimitsu Sokki, Gunma-Ken, Japan; Nihon Kohden Corp, Tokyo, Japan; Nihon Comac Co Ltd, Matsumoto City, Japan; Nihon Kohden, Irvine, CA; Nipro Company Ltd Research & Overseas Dept, Tokyo, Japan; Noise Cancellation Technologies Inc, Linthicum, MD; Nomos Corp, Lake Worth, FL; Norland Corp, Fort Atkinson, WI; Northeast Monitoring Inc, Sudbury, MA; Northrop Gruman Corp, Pico Rivera, CA; Norwood Coated Products, Frazer, PA.

Nova Biomedical Corp, Waltham, MA; Nova Technologies Inc, Hauppauge, NY; Novamed Ltd, Jerusalem, Israel; NTL Associates Inc, East Brunswick, NJ; Nubenco Enterprises, Inc, Paramus, NJ; Nuccardiac Software Inc, Yorba Linda, CA; Nuclin Diagnostics Inc, Northbrook, IL; Nxlink Ltd, Richland, WA; O-Two Systems, Mississaugu Ontario, Canada; Occupational Marketing Inc, Houston, TX; Ocenco Inc, Kenosha, WI; Ocular Research Associates Inc, Coconut Creek, FL; Oculus Optikgerate Gmbh, Wetzlar, Germany; Odam, Wissembourg, France.

Oec Medical Systems Inc, Salt Lake City, UT; Oem Systems Co Ltd, Uji-Shi, Japan; Ohlendorf Research Inc, Ottawa, IL; Olympic Controls Corp, Elgin, IL; Olympus America Inc, Melville, NY; Omega Medical Imaging Inc, Sanford, IL; Omron Dalian Co Ltd, Dalian, China; Oncor Inc, Gaithersburg, MD; Opthalmed Inc, San Marcos, CA; Optical Technology Devices Inc, Elmsford, NY; Optima Inc, Tokyo, Japan; Optimed Technologies Inc, Livingston, NJ; Optometrics USA Inc, Ayer, MA; Orbit Inc, Oak Ridge, TN; Organon Teknika Corp, Durham, NC; Organtec, Mainz, Germany.

Orion Diagnostica (Orion Corporation), Espoo, Finland: Orion Research Inc. Beverly, MA; Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc., Rochester, NY; Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc, Raritan, NJ; Ortivus Ab, Taby, Sweden; Osim (USA) Inc, Bellevue, WA; Ostemeter Meditech A/S, Horsholm, Denmark; Otago Corp, Ipoh, Malaysia; Oxarc Inc, Pasco, WA; Oxford Medical Inc, Largo, FL; Oxigraf Inc, Mountain View, CA; Oxis International Inc, Portland, OR; Oxygen Therapy Institute, Livonia, MI; Pace Tech Inc., Clearwater, FL, Pacific Pharmaceuticals Inc, San Diego, CA; Packard Bioscience Co, Downers Grove, IL; Pantex-Div Bio-Analysis Inc, Santa Monica, CA; Park Surgical Co, Brooklyn, NY

Park Medical Systems Inc, Lachine Quebec, Canada; Parks Medical Electronics Inc. Aloha, OR; Parsons Airgras, San Diego, CA; Particle Data, Inc, Elmhurst, IL; Pasadena Scientific Industries, Pasadena, MD; Paterson Scientific Inc, Paterson, NJ: Payton Associates Inc, Buffalo, NY; PDX Technologies, Westlake Village, CA; Peb Associates, Seargeantsville, NJ; Pemco Inc, Independence, OH; Perimed Inc, Smithtown, NY; Perimed Ab, Jarfalla, Sweden; Perimmune Inc, Rockville, MD; Perkens Electronics Co, Dallas, TX; Perstorp Analytical, Wilsonville, OR; Peter W Seeh Medical, Tuttlingen, Germany.

Pett Electronics Inc, Webster Groves, MO; Phamatech, San Diego, CA; Pharmacia & UpJohn, Kalamazoo, MI; Philips Lighting Co, Somerset, NJ; Philips Medizin Systeme, Hamburg, Germany; Phoenix Biomedical Corp, Norristown, PA; Phycon Medical Sciences, Inc, Tampa, FL; Physio Systems, Inc, Newark, CA; Physio-Dyne Instrument Corp, Farmingdale, NY; Pi Medical, Athens, TN; Pie Medical Equipment BV, Maastricht, Netherlands; Planet Products Corp, Madison, WI; PML Microbiologicals, Wilsonville, OR; Point Plastics, Inc, Petaluma, CA.

Pointe Scientific, Inc, Lincoln Park, MI; Polar Cryogenics, Inc, Portland. OR: PolHiTech SRL, Carsoli, Italy; Poly Scientific Research & Development Corp. Bayshore, NY; Portable Medical Laboratories, Inc, Solana Beach, CA; Positron Corp, Houston, TX; Pratt Medical, Inc, Olathe, CO; Praxair Inc. Middleburg Heights. OH: Praxair Distribution, Middleburgh Heights, OH; Praxair Distribution Southeast Llc, Middleburg Heights, OH; Precise Optics, Bay Shore, NY; Precision Systems, Inc, Natick, MA; Prentke Romich Co, Wooster, OH; Prime Ideas, Inc, Willmar, MN; Princeton Biomeditech Corp. Princeton, NJ.

Priority Healthcare Corp, Altamonte Springs, FL; Prism Microsystems, Ltd, Borehamwood, United Kingdom; Procedure Products, Inc, Vancouver, WA; Progetti SRL, Torino, Italy; Propper Mfg Co, Inc, Long Island City, NY; Protel USA, LLC,

Wyckoff, NJ; Prucka Engineering, Inc, Houston, TX; Przybyla and Associates, Inc, Tomball, TX; Pt Dharma Medipro, Tangerang, Indonesia; Pulmonary Data Services Inst, Inc. Louisville CO; Pulmonox Research & Development, Tofield, Canada; Pulse Metric, Inc, San Diego, CA; Pulse Biomedical, Inc, Norristown, PA. Pulse Metric Taiwan, Inc, Taipei, China;

Pulse Metric Taiwan, Inc, Taipei, China; Pulse Scientific, Inc, Burlington, Canada; Puritan Bennett Corp, Minneapolis, MN; Puritan Bennett Corp, Carlsbad, CA; Puritan Bennett Corp, Lenexa, KS; Pyramid Biological Corp, Van Nuys, CA; QRS Diagnostic, LLC, Plymouth, MN; Qualis, Inc, Des Moines, IA; Quantimetrix, Redondo Beach, CA; Quantum Life Systems, Inc, Great Meadows, NJ; Quidel Corp, San Diego, CA; Quinton Electrophysiology Corp, Richmond Hill, Canada.

Quinton Instrument Co, Bothell, WA; R & F Imaging Systems, Inc, Smyrna, GA; R2 Diagnostics, Inc, South Bend, IN; Rad-Source, Inc, Coral Springs, FL; Radiation Oncology Computer Systems, Carlsbad, CA; Radiographic Equipment Services, Inc, Riverside, CA; Radiological Specialists, Inc, Van Nuys, CA; Randwal Instrument Co, Inc, Southbridge, MA; Rapid-Aid Ltd, Oakville, Canada; Raymax of Canada, Brampton, Canada; Reflex Industries, Inc, San Diego, CA; Reid & Priest, LLP, New York, NY; Remco Italia, South Pedrino Di Vignate, Italy.

Remedpar, Inc, Goodlettsville, TN; Republic Drug Co, Inc, Buffalo, NY; Research Consultants, Inc, Waco, TX; Respiratory Support Products, Inc, Irvine, CA; Rhomicron Electronica Medica, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Ricca Chemical Co, Arlington, TX; Riverside Corporation, Tokyo, Japan; RJ Harvey Instrument Corp, Hillsdale, NJ; RMC, Tucson, AZ; Roche Diagnostics, Somerville, NJ; Roche Diagnostic Systems, Inc, Somerville, NJ; Rocky Mountain Reagents, Inc, Denver, CO; Rodenstock USA, Inc, Danbury, CT; Roman Vladimirsky, Los Angeles, CA; Roossmax Intl, Ltd, Taipei, China.

Rova Co, Inc, Newbury, OH, Rowley Biochemical Institute, Inc, Danvers, MA; RT Technical Services, Burleson, TX; Rusch, Inc, Duluth, GA; RW Johnson Pharmaceutical, Research Inst, Raritan; S & W Medico Teknik, Aabybro, Denmark; S & M Instrument Co, Doylestown, PA; Sable Industries, Oceanside, CA; Sag Harbor Industries, Inc, Sag Harbor, NY; Saleem Surgico, Sialkot, Pakistan; Samsung-Ge Medical Systems Co, Sungnam-Shi, Korea; San Diego Biotech, San Diego, CA; Sanfare International Inc, Cedar Hill, TX; Sanfan Plastic & Rubber Co, Ltd, Chengdu, China.

Sanko Junyaku Co, Ltd, Tokyo, Japan; Sanofi Diagnostics Pasteur, Redmond, WA; Sanofi Diagnostics Pasteur, Marnes-La-Coquette, France; Sanwa Kagaku Kenkyusho, Nagoya, Japan; Sarstedt, Inc, Newton, NC; Sasco, Inc, Charlotte, NC; Sato Light Industry Co, Ltd, Agei-Gun, Japan; Scan Medical, Ltd, Middlesex, United Kingdom; Scanco, Inc, Ithaca, NY; Scanditronix Medical AB, Uppsala, Sweden; Scantibodies Laboratory, Inc, Santee, Ca; SCC, Inc, Hawthorne, CA; Schiapparelli Biosystems, Inc, Fairfield, NJ; Schick Technologies, Inc, Long Island, NY.

Schiff & Co, West Calwell, NJ; Schiller AG, Baar, Switzerland; Schinkoeth Equipamentos Medico-Hospitalares LTDA, Nucleo Bandeirante, Brazil; Schoch Electronics, Regensdorf, Switzerland, Scintillation Technologies Corp, Knoxville, TN; Scribner Inc, Boulder, CO; Seac SRL, Browne. Calenzano, Italy; Sealite Sciences, Inc, Norcross, GA; Sechrist Industries, Inc, Anaheim, CA; See Sea Development, Inc, Seminole, FL: Seiko Instruments, Inc, Chiba-Shi. Japan; Sela Electronic, Inc, New York, NY; Senior Technologies, Inc, Lincoln, NE; Sens-O-Tech Industries, Inc, Tinton Falls, NJ.

Sensor Devices, Inc, Waukesha, WI: Sensormedics Corp, Yorba Linda, CA: TX; Serbio. Seracare Technology, Austin, Gennevilliers, France; Settler Medical Electronics Inc, Winnipeg, Canada; Seward, Ltd, Thetford, United Kingdom; Shandon, Inc, Pittsburgh, PA; Shanghai Medifriend Medical Products, Shanghai, China; Shanghai Joe's Automatic Devices, Inc, Shanghai, China; Shantou Institute of Ultrasonic Instruments, Shantou, China; Shared Systems, Inc, Martinez, GA; Sharper Image Corp, Little Rock, AR; Sharplan Lasers, Inc. Allendale, NJ; Sherwood Medical Co, Hazelwood. MO.

Sherwood Medical Co, Bothell, WA; Shield Diagnostics, Ltd, Dundee, United Kingdom; Siemens Medical Systems, Inc, Concord, CA; Siemens Medical Systems, Inc, Hoffman Estates, IL; Siemens Medical Systems, Issaquah, WA; Siemens Medical Systems, Danvers, MA; Siemens Medical Corp, Iselin, NJ; Sigma Chemical Co, St Louis, MO; Sigma Laboratory Centrifuges, Osterode, Germany; Sigma Diagnostics, Inc, St Louis, MO; Simonsen Medical A/S, Randers, Denmark; Sims Graseby Ltd, Watford, United Kingdom; Sims Portex Ltd, Kent, United Kingdom.

Sims Pneu Pac, Ltd, Luton, United Kingdom; Sinmed BV, Reeuwijk, Netherlands; Sita Associates, Flossmoor, IL; Sitco, Inc, Arlington Heights, IL; Skatron, Inc, Sterling, VA; Sleepnet Corporation, Manchester, NH; SLP, Ltd, Tel-Aviv, Israel; Smithkline Diagnostics, Inc, Sharon Hill, PA; SMV America, Twinsburg, OH; Snap Laboratories, LLC, Glenview, IL; Snijders Analysers BV, Tilburg, Netherlands; So-Cal Airgas, Lakewood, CA; Soft Computer Consultants, Palm Harbor, FL; Solomon Technology Corp, Chandler, AZ; Somanetics Corp, Troy, MI; Somatronix Research Corp, Granby, CT.

Sonar Hearing Health, Eagan, MN; Sono Diagnostics, Inc, Pinellas Park, FL; Sonogage, Inc, Cleveland, OH; Sonosight, Inc, Bothell, WA; Sorba Medical Systems, Inc, Brookfield, WI; Spectronic Instruments, Inc, Rochester, NY; Spirometrics Medical Equipment Co, Auburn, ME; SRD Shorashim Medical, Ltd, DN Misgav, Israel; Stanbio Laboratory, Inc, San Antonio, TX; Standard Scientific, Inc, Hebron, KY; Starkey Laboratories, Inc, Eden Prairie, MN; Statcorp, Inc, Jacksonville, FL; STC Technologies, Inc, Bethlehem, PA; Stemcell Technologies, Inc, Vancouver, Canada.

Stephenson Industries, Inc, Point Pleasant, NJ; Steritek, Inc, Moonachie, NJ; Sterne Manufacturing, Brampton, Canada; St Jude Medical Cardiac Rhythm Management Division, Sylmar, CA; Storch, Amini, & Munves, New York, NY; Stratec Elektronik, Birkenfeld, Germany; Strategic Diagnostics, Inc, Newark, DE; Summit Medical Inc, Palm Harbor, FL; Sun Nuclear Corporation, Melbourne, FL; Sun Biomedical Laboratories, Inc, Blackwood, NJ; Sunquest Information Systems, Inc, Tucson, AZ; Suntex Instruments Co, Ltd, Taipei, China; Superkit Intl, Inc, Miami, FL.

Surgical Navigation Technologies, Broomfield, CO; Surgical Technologies, Inc, Salt Lake City, UT; Surgical Instrument Co of America, Ridgefield, NJ; Surgicon, Ltd, Sialkot, Pakistan; Suzuken Co, Ltd, Hagoya-Higashi, Japan; Swelab Instrument, Stockholm, Sweden; Swemed Lab Intl, Billdal, Sweden; Sybron Intl Corp, Milwaukee, WI; Syntron Bioresearch, Inc, Carlsbad, CA: Sysmex Corp, Long Grove, IL; Systec Computer Associates, Inc, Mount Sinai, NY; Tanabe USA, Inc, San Diego, CA; Tasteful Corporation, Taipei, China; Technical Chemicals & Products, Inc, Ft Lauderdale, FL; Teco Diagnostics, Anaheim, CA; Teco Medical Instruments, Ergoldsbach, Germany.

Telediagnostic Systems, Inc, San Francisco, CA; Telex Communications, Inc, Minneapolis, MN; Terumo Medical Corp, Elkton, MD; Texas Immunology, Inc, Tyler, TX; Texas Intl Laboratories, Inc, Houston, TX; Texas Medical Electronics Co, Houston, TX; The Lahr Consulting Group, Inc, Mahwah, NJ; The Kohl Group, Scottsdale, AZ; The Anson Group, LLC, Indianapolis, IN; The Soule Company, Inc, Tampa, FL; The Perkin-Elmer Corp, Norwalk, CT; Theranol Deglaude Laboratories, Bagneux, France; Theratronics Intl, Ltd, Kanata, Canada; Thermo Separation Products, San Jose, CA.

Timm Research Co, Eden Prairie, MN; Tiyoda Mfg USA, Inc, Torrance, CA; TM Analytic, Inc, Brandon, FL; Toitu of America, Inc, Wayne, PA; Tomtec Imaging Systems, Unterschleissheim, Germany; Top Corp, Tokyo, Japan; Toray Marketing & Sales, Inc, Houston, TX; Toshiba Corp Medical Engineering Center, Otawara-Shi, Japan; Toshiba Corporation, Tochigi-Ken, Japan; Toshiba Corporation, Tochigi-Ken, Japan; Toshiba Corporation, Tochigi-Ken, Japan; Toshiba Corp. Inc, Suzuka, Japan; Toys For Special Children, Inc, Hastings on Hudson, NY; Trac Medical, Inc, Raleigh, NC; Trace America, Inc, Miami, FL.

Translite, Sugarland, TX; Tri-Gas, Inc, Irving, TX; Tri-Continent Scientific, Inc, Grass Valley, CA; Trinity Biotech, Dublin, Ireland; Trionix Research Laboratory, Inc, Twinsburg, OH; Tubemaster, Inc, Grand Prairie, TX; U-Med Industrial, Inc, Tokyo, Japan; UGM Medical Systems, Inc, Philadelphia, PA; Ulster Scientific, Inc, New Paltz, NY; Ultravoice, Ltd, Berwyn, PA; UMA, Inc, Dayton, VA; UMM Electronics, Inc, Indianapolis, IN; Unipath, Ltd, Bedford, United Kingdom; United Biotech, Inc, Mountain View, CA; Universal Medical Systems, Inc, Clearwater, FL; Universal Medical Systems, Inc, Bedford Hills, NY.

Unotech Diagnostics, Inc, San Leandro, CA; UO Equipment Co, Houston, TX; Urometrics, Inc, St Paul, MN; US Endoscopy Group, Inc, Mentor, OH; US Filter/Ionpure, Inc, Lowell, MA; US Filter, St Louis Park, MN; US Filter Continental Water Systems. El Paso, TX; US Summit Co, New York, NY; USA Instruments, Inc, Aurora, OH; Validyne Engineering Sales Corp, Northridge, CA; Valmed, Inc, Northboro, MA; Varian Interay, North Charleston, SC; Varian-Tem Ltd, Crawley, United Kingdom; Varian-Arlington Heights, Arlington Heights, IL.

Varian Chromatography Systems, Walnut Creek, CA; Vasculab Medizintechnik, Poel Island, Germany; Versamed, Ltd, Tel-Aviv, Israel; VF-Works, Inc, Palm Harbor, FL; Victor Equipment Co, Denton, TX; Vidamed, Fremont, CA; Viran Inc. Clinical Diagnostics, Inc, Stevensville, MI; Virtual Corp, Portland, OR; Vision Instruments, Ltd, Melbourne, Australia, Visionics Corp, Minneapolis, MN; Vitalcom, Inc, Tustin, CA; Vitalcor, Inc, Westmont, IL; Vitalograph, Inc, Lenexa, KS; VNA Systems, Inc, Atlanta, GA; VSI Radiology, San Diego, CA; Vulcon Technologies, Grandview, MO.

Vygon Corp, East Rutherford, NJ; Wako Chemicals, USA, Inc, Richmond, VA; Wallac, Inc, Akron, OH; Walter Kidde Portable Equipment, Inc, Mebane, NC; Ware Medics Glass Works, Inc, Haverstraw, NY; Warren D. Novak Enterprises, Inc, Chappaqua, NY; Water Solution Technologies, Carlsbad, CA; Wellhofer North America, LLC, Bartlett, TN; Wenzhou Ouhai Medical Instruments Factory, Wenzhou, China; Werner Fischer, Fridingen, Germany; Western Star, Inc, Lake Oswego, OR; Whale Scientific, Inc, Commerce City, CO; Whitmore Enterprises, Inc, San Antonio, TX.

Wien Laboratories, Inc, Succasunna, NJ; Wiener Laboratories, Rosario, Argentina; William E. King, Waukegan, IL; Williams Sound Corp, Eden Prairie, MN; Willie Krawitz, Orange, CA; Wilson Sonsini Goodrich and Rosati, Palo Alto, CA; Winfield Medical, San Diego, CA; Winmed Instruments Mfg. Corp, Taipei, China; Wipro Ge Medical Systems Ltd, Bangalore, India; Wisconsin Pharmacal Co, Jackson, WI; Witt Biomedical Corp, Melbourne, FL; WL Gore & Associates, Inc, Phoenix, AZ; World Wide Plastics, Inc, Trevose, PA; Wuzi Haiying-Cal Tec Electronic Equipment Co., Wuxi, China.

Wyndgate Technologies, Rancho Cordova, CA; Wyrick, Robbins, Yates & Ponton, Raleigh, NC; X R E Corp, Littleton, MA; X-Cel X-Ray Corp, Cystal, Lake, IL; Xenos Medical Systems, Inc, New Canaan, CT; Xerox Adaptive Technologies, Peabody, MA; Xingtai Plastic Medical Apparatus Factory, Xing-Tai, China; Xitron Technologies, Inc, San Diego, CA; Xtec, Inc, Columbia City, IN; Yorke Enterprises, Ltd, Mitcham, United Kingdom; Young Dental Mfg. Co, Brownsville, TX; Ysi, Inc, Yellow Springs, OH; Yukosha Co, Inc, Tokyo, Japan.

Z-Tech, Inc, Charleston, SC; Zaxis Inc, Hudson, OH; Zee Medical, Inc, Irvine, CA; Zenex Corp, Elk Grove Village, IL; Zertl Medical, Inc, Pennington, NJ; Zetek, Inc, Aurora, CO; Zeus Scientific, Inc, Branchburg, NJ; Zewa, Hergiswil, Switzerland; Zimmer Elektromedizin Corp, Irvine, CA.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from North Dakota.

INTERNET LEGISLATION AND THE RIGHT TO ADDRESS KEY ISSUES

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, going back to the previous discussion on the Internet tax issue that the Senator from Arizona raised, I want to make a comment about both the objection raised by the minority leader, Senator DASCHLE, as well as the bill itself.

The bill started out being a very controversial piece of legislation. There was great disagreement on exactly whether and how to proceed on this issue. But I must say, the Senator from Oregon, the Senator from Arizona, and others have worked with a number of us who have had reservations and concerns about the bill. I think we have made a substantial amount of progress. I expect at some point it will get to the floor of the Senate here, and I will hope to be helpful on a compromise that I think does the right thing.

I always said if the proposition is, let us not apply punitive taxes to the Internet, I am for that. I am for a prohibition against punitive taxes on the Internet. But the way it was described initially, I have a lot of concerns about that. There have been a lot of changes made on this bill and I think the changes made a lot of progress. I compliment the Senator from Arizona and the Senator from Oregon as we continue to discuss this. But I did want to mention one additional point.

The Senator from South Dakota, Senator DASCHLE, was constrained to object. I know the Senator from Arizona understands well the concerns. It is not just about the issue of the Patients' Bill of Rights. We must also find a way to address this agricultural crisis in a satisfactory manner. If we do not, about 20 percent of the family farmers in North Dakota will not be in

the field next spring. It is a devastating circumstance in the farm belt.

So the Senator from South Dakota was saying we need somehow to protect our rights to address these key issues. I know the Senator from Arizona acknowledged that he understood that. I just wanted to point out, again, it is not anybody's intention to provide roadblocks. What we want to try to do is see if we can find avenues to address significant and real issues.

Yes, the Internet bill will get here and I think get done at some point. But we need to protect the rights, as legislation brought is to the floor, to deal with the Patients' Bill of Rights and to deal with the agricultural crisis which is potentially so devastating to the farm belt in this country.

I wanted to make that point clear to reinforce the comments made by Senator DASCHLE earlier.

I yield the floor. I know the Senator from Oregon wishes to be recognized.

Mr. WYDEN addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I will be brief. First, I thank the Senator from North Dakota for all the work he has done over the last few months on the Internet tax freedom bill. We are going to get there to no small degree because the Senator from North Dakota has worked so closely with us. I thank him for it.

In the last few minutes, we have talked about two extremely important subjects: the question of a Patients' Bill of Rights and the Internet tax freedom bill. Both of these bills are extremely important to me. In fact, shortly after I came to the U.S. Senate in 1996, I offered one of the key provisions in the Patients' Bill of Rights with Senator KENNEDY. It was legislation to ban these gag clauses, these ridiculous provisions in managed care agreements that literally keep physicians from telling their patients about all their health care options. These gag clauses are unconscionable. We received over 50 votes the first time we brought it to the floor of the U.S. Senate, at a time when people knew very little about the subject. I feel very strongly about the Patients' Bill of Rights and, hopefully, we can get an agreement, and I do think we can get an agreement that is bipartisan.

I also want to say, Mr. President, how strongly I feel about passing the Internet tax freedom legislation as well. It is time for the U.S. Senate to begin to write the rules for the digital economy. The Internet is clearly going to be the business infrastructure in the 21st century. Usage is doubling every 60 days, or thereabouts, and it is clear we don't have any ground rules to address the critical issues that involve electronic commerce.

If somebody in Iowa, for example, wants to order fruit from Harry and David's in Medford, OR, ship it to their cousin in Florida, pay for it with a bank card in New York and do it