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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Last summer, we posted and widely distributed an announcement regarding our Assistive Technology (AT) related work. In this announcement we explained that a complaint had been apparently lodged against Networks regarding our AT work. While the specifics of the complaint were not made known to us, we fully participated with any needed processes and examined carefully our work. We temporarily suspended our AT activities but then announced that we were resuming our AT activities, given the overwhelming needs of people with significant disabilities in this area and the incredible support of many colleagues in various areas of expertise connected to AT affirming our work.


As our colleagues, we feel compelled to provide you with an update. In a letter dated December 27, 2011, we were notified by the PA Department of State that they had completed their inquiry into this matter and that the file was closed with no further actions against us at this time. While we are relieved to receive this notice, we have made a conscious decision to continue stretching ourselves in-house to learn more, seeking additional professional certification in AT, and building collaborations with many professionals and groups specializing in AT.

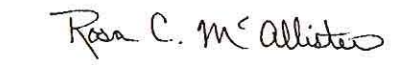
Most recently, we have begun the development of an AT Advisory Group, which is being developed to aid us in better thinking through and planning for our various AT-related activities and endeavors. We also continue to receive many requests for assistance, invitations to join various committees re: AT, professional and personal accolades for our work, and are acknowledged as AT experts by many.

I wish to personally thank all of you who have reached out to us during this time, with your words of support and encouragement, countless referrals for continuing work, and your belief in this shared responsibility that we all must do something... and only by working together can we truly assist people.

Sincerely,


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