From: kfolta@ufl.edu

To: Barnes, Carly < Carly.Barnes@ketchum.com>

**Subject:** Re: Textbook publisher to update information about GMO benefits

I've been planning to take a hard point position on this. Diluting facts from science texts due to activist demands, without scientific consultation, is something I will not tolerate.

Kevin

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Sent from my phone.

On Jan 28, 2015, at 5:07 PM, Barnes, Carly < <u>Carly.Barnes@ketchum.com</u>> wrote:

This is the best email I've gotten all day. © Thanks! I'll be in touch as we move forward with this.

From: Folta, Kevin M. [mailto:kfolta@ufl.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 5:05 PM

To: Barnes, Carly

Subject: Re: Textbook publisher to update information about GMO benefits

From my cold, dead hands.

I'm excited to torpedo this stupidity.

Kevin

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Sent from my phone.

On Jan 28, 2015, at 4:43 PM, Barnes, Carly < Carly. Barnes@ketchum.com> wrote:

Hi, everyone:

According to a recent <u>Yahoo! Parenting article</u>, Macmillan/McGraw-Hill has indicated that it will update a sixth-grade science textbook that presents some of the benefits of GM crops.

The article states, "No downsides of GMOs are mentioned, despite frequent reports that genetically modifying crops — which means the injecting of species with DNA from other plants and animals in order to alter their qualities and characteristics — may have troubling long-term health and environmental effects that are not yet known."

The article also mentions that additional publishing companies are considering replacing content that could be considered pro-GMO.

If you are interested in responding to this effort, please contact <a href="mailto:carly.barnes@ketchum.com">carly.barnes@ketchum.com</a> at your earliest convenience. I will provide further details!

Best,

Carly

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Ketchum, on behalf of the

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