



THE VICE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON

March 18, 2020

Mr. John H. Barrett  
Executive Director  
International Sanitary Supply Association  
Northbrook, Illinois

Dear John:

Thank you for joining our call yesterday and being willing to join us in our whole-of-America approach to the coronavirus.

The President and I are asking our Nation's supply retailers and wholesalers to continue to do their part. Specifically, we encourage you to evaluate your inventory of N95 masks and other supplies, so we can explore strategies to ensure there is supply for first responders and healthcare workers on the frontlines.

We would like you to ensure that hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes are prioritized for your construction supply chain of N95 construction masks, Tyvek gowns, boot covers, goggles, face shields, and disinfectants for the next 45 days. Please continue to work with healthcare providers to surge supplies to areas of need. As Dr. Deborah Birx has emphasized, your help in this regard could be key to our solution.

On behalf of President Trump and the White House Coronavirus Task Force, thank you for your partnership and know that we look forward to our continued work together for the health and safety of the American people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Pence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mike" and last name "Pence" clearly legible.

Michael R. Pence  
Vice President of the United States