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To: Ayanti Grant
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Congressman Joe Courtney (CT-02)

Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 2:33 PM

Subject: RE: CT Manufacturer producing emergency beds and partitions

Hello Ayanti:

I hope you, the rest of the staff, and the Congressman are staying safe and healthy.

Thank you for your email in which you are calling to FEMA's attention to the efforts of Gilman Brothers Company who produced 1000 portable emergency beds and partitions for the Army National Guard's Western Connecticut State University's hospital. I have forwarded the information you provided regarding the Gilman Brothers Company to our Private Sector Liaison. I also wanted to take this opportunity to share with you the following information just to ensure that you have it.

To sell medical supplies or equipment to the federal government, a company should submit a price quote under the [COVID-19 PPE and Medical Supplies Request for Quotation](#). Full details can be found in the solicitation ([Updated Notice ID 70FA2020R0000011](#)). This solicitation requires registration with the System for Award Management (SAM) in order to be considered for award, pursuant to applicable regulations and guidelines. Registration information can be found at www.sam.gov. Registration must be "ACTIVE" at the time of award.

If they have medical supplies or equipment to donate, they can provide us details on what you are offering through our online medical supplies and equipment form at <https://www.fema.gov/covid19offers>.

If they are interested in doing business with FEMA and supporting the response to COVID-19 with your company's **non-medical** goods and/or services, please submit your inquiry to the Department of Homeland Security's Procurement Action Innovative Response (PAIR) team at DHSIndustryLiaison@hq.dhs.gov.

In addition to these avenues, some of these offers to assist fall into the FDA space. Specific to the manufacturing of PPE in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the FDA is interested in hearing from manufacturers who may be able to help

mitigate potential shortages of PPE by increasing U.S. availability of such devices. These manufacturers may email FDA at deviceshortages@fda.hhs.gov, which is closely monitored and has proven to be a valuable resource thus far in helping FDA mitigate potential supply chain disruptions.

To facilitate a rapid response to such inquiries, please go to the link below to get additional information and to see an example of information that FDA would find helpful to have initially. <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/personal-protective-equipment-infection-control/faqs-shortages-surgical-masks-and-gowns>

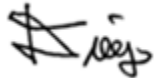
Additional information can be found at

- N95 Respirators and Surgical Masks: <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/personal-protective-equipment-infection-control/n95-respirators-and-surgical-masks-face-masks>
- Emergency Use Authorization: <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/emergency-situations-medical-devices/emergency-use-authorizations#COVID19ppe>

Additionally, I am also attaching some information compiled by our Private Sector Liaison which you may also find informative.

Thanks again for flagging the capabilities of the Gilman Brothers Company. I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,



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