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To Department for Business, Innovation & Skills.

**Dear Ms Eson-Benjamin,
In response to your letter of July 8th 2015,**

Your refer to your Departments Whistle-blowing Consultation in 2013.

I refer you to the comprehensive evidence we submitted to the above consultation, evidence that was completely ignored.

You state that legislation alone can not achieve culture change.

I completely disagree, only legislation can achieve this. However that legislation is not PIDA but is Edna s Law, which would protect all whistle-blowers from all sectors. Whistle-blowing policies will never protect whistle-blowers, such policies have failed for 17 years and only benefit those who make money from selling them. This stance has resulted in hardship and injustice for whistle-blowers, but what should never be forgotten is countless vulnerable people have suffered and will continue to suffer abuse as a result of this policy.

You refer to the fact that consideration needs to be given to finding a balance between protecting whistle-blowers and not unduly burdening business.

Would you for a moment give the same consideration if the question was, How do we protect the public, whilst not being unduly burdensome on those guilty of committing a criminal offence? This is effectively what Government policy on whistle-blowing is doing.

You believe whistle-blowing policies will change the culture of bad employers.

As you are aware I am a whistle-blower (BUPA 7) The first case to use and be failed by PIDA. My case is well known, Two books and much more exposure to come, so I will not waste time highlighting the grave injustice. But I will refer you to the fact that the harm done to whistle-blowers can last a lifetime and take many forms. My former employer BUPA has publicly attacked me for 17 years, this year alone they have twice issued public statements calling me a liar, (Statements that in a law court would be perjury but allowed in the ET) The most recent of these attacks only last week (Buzz-feed) This kind of ingrained culture of cover -up and denial by discrediting whistle-blowers is all too common. If you believe that your stance on whistle-blowing protection will change company's such as BUPA, you are very much mistaken.

I remind you yet again what the hard evidence demands,

- 1. Edna s Law, to protect all future whistle-blowers, from all sectors.**
- 2. Full redress given to all those whistle-blowers failed by a weak and ineffective Law, first highlighted as such to the Government by the BUPA 7 in 2001. (Over 700 letters on file confirm this fact)**
- 3. Full accountability of all those involved in past harassment and detriment to whistle-blowers. Full accountability for failure to act on genuine concerns.**
- 4. A full public apology to all those failed, both whistle-blowers and the victims of silence.**

Since I started to campaign I have seen countless lives needlessly lost and countless vulnerable people suffer abuse and torture, in deed I have witnessed first hand harrowing abuse.

This is not a question of how could you afford to meet my demands, But is a question of how could you afford to ignore them?

Every day I see good decent people destroyed for doing the right thing, I shall continue to fight for them until you do the same.

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**cc David Cameron
All MPs**