

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Mr. Goodarzi:

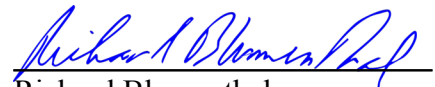
Earlier this month, we wrote to Intuit seeking information regarding the \$94 million research tax break your company received in 2022.¹ In response, you sent a letter filled with false and misleading assertions about the IRS’s Direct File program—a simple, free e-File option for taxpayers under development—and no answers to our questions about the massive tax breaks you received while spending millions to lobby against free e-Filing.²

This pattern of obfuscation and untruthfulness is nothing new. Only days after we received your letter, the Federal Trade Commission determined that your company engaged in a campaign of deceptive practices when it ran ads claiming that Intuit’s services were “free” despite that not being true for millions of taxpayers.³ Last week, a new report revealed that Intuit spent a record \$3.8 million to lobby the federal government in 2023, including on issues involving the *Inflation Reduction Act*—the law that helps fund the IRS’s work on Direct File.⁴

The American public deserves answers—not more deception—about how you are spending their hard-earned dollars. Accordingly, we once again request that Intuit answer our questions about your company’s federal research tax breaks by February 7, 2024. We attach a copy of our original letter for your reference.

Sincerely,


Elizabeth Warren
United States Senator

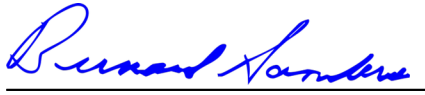

Richard Blumenthal
United States Senator

¹ Letter from Senator Elizabeth Warren to Intuit, January 2, 2024, <https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/2024.01.02%20Letter%20to%20Intuit%20on%20Research%20Subsidies.pdf>.

² Letter from Intuit to Senator Elizabeth Warren, January 16, 2024, <https://www.warren.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Intuit%20Response%20to%20Sen.%20Warren%20et%20al.%201.16.24.pdf>.

³ Federal Trade Commission, “FTC Issues Opinion Finding that TurboTax Maker Intuit Inc. Engaged in Deceptive Practices,” press release, January 22, 2024, <https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/news/press-releases/2024/01/ftc-issues-opinion-finding-turbotax-maker-intuit-inc-engaged-deceptive-practices>.

⁴ More Perfect Union, “TurboTax’s Intuit Spent Record Amount Fighting IRS Direct File—and Failed,” Donald Shaw and David Moore, January 23, 2024, <https://substack.perfectunion.us/p/turbotaxs-intuit-spent-record-amount>.



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