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Motor Carrier Bureaus – Periodic Review Proceeding STB Ex Parte No. 656

Good morning Chairman Nober, Vice Chairman Mulvey, and Commissioner Buttrey. Under 49 U.S.C. 13703(c), the Board must, every 5 years, initiate a proceeding to review the motor carrier bureau agreements previously approved under section 13703. Any such agreement continues unless the Board determines otherwise. The next 5-year review cycle begins this month.

The draft notice before you would commence, on the Board's own motion, the statutorily required periodic review proceeding and would request comments from interested members of the public. In particular, the draft notice would direct all motor carrier bureaus to inform the Board whether they want continued immunity for their agreements and would seek comments from all interested persons on how those agreements, as ordered conditioned by the Board, have been working.

This concludes our presentation. We would be happy to answer any of your questions.