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**To:** Secretary <[secretary@FMC.gov](mailto:secretary@FMC.gov)>  
**Subject:** DEMURRAGE AND DETENTION FEES

Dear Sirs,

We have been an importer for approximately 35 years. We've have imported hundreds of millions of dollars of merchandise, primarily from Asia in that time.

Our goods have been sent to demurrage many times. This caused delays for me and my customers, who inevitably cannot understand this process. Sometimes the goods were very time sensitive and seasonably needed.

The detentions and inspections have cost us thousands, if not hundreds of thousands of dollars over the years. More importantly, we lose customers due to these understandable delays,

INTERESTINGLY, WE HAVE NEVER BEEN CITED FOR ANY OFFENSE , DUTY MISCLASSIFICATION,SAFETY , EPA OR ANY OTHER ISSUE REGARDING THE GOODS WE IMPORT.

I BELIEVE THAT THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DETENTION AND INSPECTION OF GOODS , ESPECIALLY WHERE THERE IS NO INFRACTION, SHOULD BE BORNE BY THE GOVERNMENT.

PERHAPS YOU COULD ALSO "RATE " IMPORTERS ON THEIR PAST CLAEN RECORDS AND FLAG THEIR GOODS LESS OFTEN.

Sincerely yours,  
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