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Please be advised that as per notice I would respectfully request to participate in the hearings on January 17th and 18th regarding demurrage and detention issues at the ports. My name is Thomas J Adamski and I will represent New Jersey Motor Truck Association 160 Tices Lane East Brunswick New Jersey 08816 phone number 732 254 5000. I have had the privilege to serve as a past President and Chairman of the NJMTA Bi-State Harbor Conference for many years. I am currently the agent in the New York Area for First Coast Logistics and have been for the past 15 years dealing strictly in cargo moving through the Port of New York and New Jersey. It would be my privilege to draw attention to the dramatic change that has occurred and continues to the industry with Vessel sizes, chassis no longer in most cases provided by the Steamship lines, and the ELD (electronic logging devices) that will be implemented in the very near future. All of these issues impact the truckmen and yet they are being dictated to with little, to no recourse in any participation of filed tariffs and being held responsible for costs that are being created not of their making. Examples delays at the terminals, free time that in many cases is less than 32 hours and yet is advertised as four days which is really 96 hours. Large vessels that in most cases triple the volume of discharge down to a few days and in most cases confounds the ability to deliver the cargo in reasonable sequences. Chassis of course play into this conundrum as does per diem charges on both door and merchant haulage movements without any participation by the designated truckmen, this cannot continue. I believe that if this continues without truckmen participating in the formation of absolute rules for a fair SOP being overseen by governance that is absolute, because of the varied international interests it will lead to detrimental effects on the industry that we all participate.

Thank You Tom

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