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To: Karen Gregory
Subject: Optional Method of Filing Ocean Common Carrier and Marine Terminal Operator Agreements

Dear Ms. Gregory:

It has been announced that the Commission will consider the subject matter at its Sunshine Act Meeting (Open Session) on April 20, 2016. The following comments are submitted for consideration by the Commission and its Staff.

The revised rules under consideration will allow agreements and amendments thereto to be filed with the Commission electronically. This is a win-win matter involving no downside elements whatsoever. Over the years, the Commission has gradually eased the burdens of the filing of agreements and amendments in paper format. The instant optional method for the electronic filing agreements and amendments marks a final step in this long process. It will serve to reduce both Commission and public costs of relevant filings and render the process of filing relevant agreements and amendments substantially more efficient, expeditious and effective than ever before.

The Commission is urged to provide for these revised agreement filing rules as promptly as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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