

Magdalene Grant

From: Secretary
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Sent: Friday, September 26, 2008 2:03 PM
To: Secretary
Subject: Petition

Please find attached, petition on exemption of tariff publication.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

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On behalf of Robin Grove



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Multimodal International Shipping Inc.
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FMC No: 16708-NF

To: Assistant Secretary
Federal Maritime Commission
800 N Capitol Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20573-0001

Sept 20, 2008

Re: Petition P1-08
Petition of the NCBFFA for exemption from Mandatory Rate Tariff Publication

Dear Assistant Secretary,

We would like to make comment with regards to the Petition filed by the NCBFFA. Multimodal International Shipping is a smaller NVOCC and currently works mostly with smaller clients on a one by one basis. Due to this type of business model, the rates are filed on a case by case basis, normally filed to expire within 30 days. Most shipments are quoted individually, offered in writing, accepted by the shippers, and filed accordingly prior to shipping on a case by case basis. Currently, Multimodal spends about \$5,000-\$6,000. per year on tariff filings that will never be utilized again, creating an unnecessary burden and expense for a small upcoming NVOCC. We fully agree with the commission on all other points necessary to adhere to from the shipping act, but feel that the process suggested by the NCBFAA petition would not only save tariff filing costs, but lost man hours as well for something that lends no benefit to the Shippers, FMC or ourselves.

We highly commend the commission for their time and consideration of this matter as it would be 1 less burden that may be relieved. We would rather use the same time and money on serving our clients, security of the nation, and working with the VOCC to keep export cargo flowing. With the new BIS/AES security measures being enacted, our industry is in great need of any unnecessary clerical, regulatory burden relief.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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