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**By Hand Delivery**

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Re: **Comments to C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. FMC Petition No. P9-03**

Dear Mr. Vanbrakle:

We attach hereto an original and fifteen (15) copies containing comments filed by Media Solution Services regarding the above captioned petition. We submit these comments in support of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. FMC Petition No. P9-03.

We thank you for your assistance on this matter. If you require any further clarification or information, please call Carlos Rodriguez at 202.973.2999.

Very truly yours,

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RE: Support for C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. ("CHRW") Federal  
Maritime Commission Exemption Petition

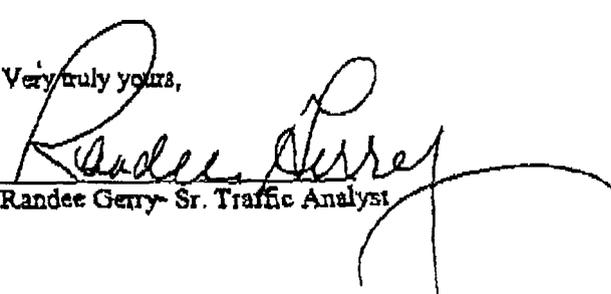
Dear Sir:

We are aware that CHRW has filed a Petition for purposes of permitting CHRW and its affiliate C. H. Robinson International, Inc. ("CHRI") to utilize confidential service contracts with its shippers. It is our understanding that when the FMC approves this exemption Petition, CHRI, an FMC licensed Ocean Transportation Intermediary, would be able to enter comprehensive confidential logistics/transportation contracts which would include ocean transportation components, something which they cannot do under current law and regulations. We fully support CHRW's Petition for the reasons discussed below.

We are aware of CHRW and its affiliates, as a reliable, financially sound, highly professional 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Logistics ("3 PL") group of companies that services both large and small shippers. Our company depends on CHR for straight transportation services in all modes of transportation as well as for intermodal and full-service global supply chain management solutions. CHR has assisted our company to solve our supply chain problems, and to develop and implement distribution strategies that help us meet our long-term transportation/logistics goals. Our requirements many times include ocean transportation components. It is our sincere expectation that the FMC will grant CHRW an exemption so that we can enter comprehensive confidential contracts with CHRW that are all inclusive of the services they provide us, including ocean transportation. This current restriction serves no useful regulatory purpose for a professional financially responsible company like CHRW. Further, it is important for shippers to maintain confidentiality in their transactions with transportation companies, something which public tariffs do not provide.

It is our understanding that it is within the discretion of the agency to grant exemptions in matters like these, so we respectfully request that the FMC grant this Petition. From our perspective this exemption would only promote commerce and competition. Shippers like ourselves would obviously be winners in this new environment.

Very truly yours,

  
Rande Gery Sr. Traffic Analyst

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2003, served a copy of foregoing Comments by Media Solution Services upon the parties, named herein, by causing an original and fifteen copies thereof to be hand delivered to the following:

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