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Mr. Raymond Schaffer  
President  
Cargo Tank Manufacturers Association  
6825 East Rosecrans Avenue  
Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Mr. Schaffer:

This is in reference to your letter dated August 2, 1996, requesting that annual internal visual inspections be required for specification multi-tank cargo tank motor vehicles that are made of aluminum and built with flangeless heads.

Your letter has been accepted as a petition for rulemaking under 49 CFR 106.31 and assigned number, P-1323. If you should write to us regarding this petition, please make reference to this petition number.

Sincerely,

J. Suzanne Hedgepeth  
Director, Office of Hazardous Materials  
Exemptions and Approvals