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Mr. Michael J. Rush
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50 F Street, NW
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Dear Mr. Rush:

This is in reference to your letter dated April 19, 1996, requesting an amendment of 49 CFR 172.203 to remove paragraph (a). Paragraph (a) contains a requirement that the exemption number must be placed on the shipping paper for shipments made under an exemption.

Your letter has been accepted as a petition for rulemaking under § 106.31 and assigned number, P-1312. If you should write to us regarding this petition, please make reference to this petition number.

Sincerely,

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