

Pending a forthcoming decision by FHWA in the matter of extending the comment period for this rulemaking, I'd like to acknowledge that the Maersk organization has prepared comments but does not wish to submit them until the comment period is officially drawing to a close.

Although no notice extending the comment period has appeared in the FEDERAL REGISTER since a major stakeholder filed for such an extension, it is our understanding after speaking with agency representatives that an extension of the comment period is likely to be granted.

Consequently, we reserve the right to file in a timely manner.