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PRESIDENT

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Re: Comments regarding OST-99-6578, 49CFR Part 40 Procedures for Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs, Proposed Rules

Motor Transport Association of Connecticut is a state wide trade association representing over 1,200 motor carriers and others who operate large commercial motor vehicles in and through the State of Connecticut. Among the many services, which we provide to members, is a USDOT Compliant CDL Drug and Alcohol Testing Program. We have the largest such program operating in this state at this time.

It has come to our attention that Chiropractors are petitioning USDOT for authorization to serve as Medical Review Officers in CDL Alcohol and Drug Testing Programs. We are totally and completely opposed to this petition. Chiropractors are not prepared by training or experience to perform the work of physicians. DOT should not recede from its current requirement that limits participation to medical doctors.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Michael J. Riley  
President

