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M.R. Ward, P.E.  
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Dear Mr. Ward:

This acknowledges the receipt of your November 1, 2003 letter requesting an amendment of 49 CFR 178.345-3 to revise structural integrity for DOT 400 Series Tanks and 49 CFR 178.337-3 to revise structural integrity for DOT 331 cargo tanks.

Your request has been assigned number P-1433. This number is for tracking purposes only. Your request has not been assessed for merit. If accepted under 49 CFR 106.95 as a petition for rulemaking, it will be considered for a future rulemaking action.

If you write or call us regarding this petition, please make refer to this number.

Sincerely,



Gail L. Twitty  
Transportation Assistant  
Office of Hazardous Materials Standards