Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx,

We appreciate your efforts to address the propane distribution challenges that have resulted in a propane shortage throughout the Midwest. The emergency declaration issued by the Department of Transportation on January 19, 2014 to exempt motor carriers from hours of service limitations will enable the delivery of much-needed supplies throughout the Midwest as quickly as possible.

As you know, the emergency exemption ends at 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time on February 11, 2014. We are writing to ask that you continue to closely monitor this situation and extend the exemption without delay should this shortage continue beyond February 11.

We have heard from many distributors and customers in Indiana who have been directly impacted by this shortage. As additional winter storms and unusually low temperatures continue to impact the Hoosier state, the situation is becoming critical.

We know you share our desire to assist the many Americans impacted by this shortage and understand the need to act rapidly to ensure this situation is remedied as quickly as possible. Thank you for your continued attention to this matter. We look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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