



U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20416

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL OMBUDSMAN

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Mr. James Lamb
President
Small Business in Transportation Coalition
1775 I Street N.W., Suite 1150
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Lamb:

I received your Federal Agency Comment Form in which you expressed concerns regarding retaliation against you and your organization by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

The Office of the National Ombudsman was created by Congress under the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) to receive comments from small businesses regarding concerns of unfair or excessive regulatory actions by agencies of the Federal Government.

SBREFA also authorizes the Ombudsman to "refer comments to the Inspector General of the affected agency in the appropriate circumstances". Under the authority of SBREFA, the Office of the National Ombudsman referred your comment form the DOT Office of Inspector General for review and action as that office deems appropriate.

Please be advised that the Office of the National Ombudsman has no law enforcement authority, nor can it overrule, stop or delay any Federal action.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Cynthia Pope, Case Manager, by telephone at (202) 205-2417 or e-mail at ombudsman@sba.gov.

Thank you for contacting the Office of the National Ombudsman.

Sincerely,

Stefanie Baker Wehagen
National Ombudsman and
Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Enforcement Fairness

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