

July 15, 2025

The Honorable Ted Cruz
Chairman
U.S. Senate
Committee on Commerce, Science, and
Transportation
254 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate
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Dear Chairman and Ranking Member,

The Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA) supports the nomination of Derek Barrs to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) at the Department of Transportation.

EMA represents leading manufacturers of commercial vehicles and engines, specifically vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating exceeding 10,000 pounds. Our member companies proudly design and produce the heavy-duty engines and vehicles that the U.S. trucking industry operates to keep America's economy moving.

FMCSA plays a crucial role in ensuring the safety of our nation's roadways by regulating commercial motor vehicles. EMA and its members have a longstanding collaborative relationship with FMCSA and DOT, providing data and other technical input on research and rulemakings involving heavy-duty safety technologies. We aim to continue working with FMCSA under Mr. Barrs' leadership to further enhance commercial vehicle safety.

We look forward to working with Mr. Barrs, FMCSA, and the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee to ensure the success of the agency.

Respectfully submitted,



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