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The Honorable James M. Inhofe
453 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Inhofe:

The American Farm Bureau Federation understands that you are about to introduce legislation that would clarify that federal law is not intended to impose onerous and unnecessary Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations on farmers and ranchers who transport their own commodities. On behalf of Farm Bureau members across the nation, I thank you for your continued commitment to ending these burdensome and costly regulations.

The current Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations were designed for commercial for-hire truckers. Unfortunately, farmers and ranchers hauling their own grain, beef or other agricultural commodities are subject to these regulations, even though they may only be driving short distances. Your legislations would relieve farmers and rancher from these costly and needless regulations.

We appreciate your support for America's farmers and ranchers and look forward to working with you on this important legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Stallman'.

Bob Stallman
President