



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**Federal Motor Carrier
Safety Administration**

Office of the Administrator

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

March 17, 2020

Ms. Lisa Mullings
President and Chief Executive Officer
National Association of Truckstop Operators

Dear Ms. Mullings:

As the Nation continues to come to grips with the realities of COVID-19, I am writing to let you know that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration recognizes the integral role that travel centers and truckstops play in the Nation's supply chain. All of your members must heed the CDC guidelines and follow state and local restrictions. In the coming weeks and months, it will be critical that these businesses remain open, 24 hours per day, providing America's truck drivers with fuel, food, showers, repair services, and opportunities to rest. The continuing operations of America's truckstops will enable truck drivers to confidently transport essential goods, such as food and medical supplies, throughout the country.

Please let us know if we can be helpful to your members as they continue to fulfill this important mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Mullen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jim Mullen
Acting Administrator