

November 17, 2021

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas Secretary of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

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It is my pleasure to introduce to you the Hispanic Motor Carrier Association, HMCA. This association was founded in March 12, 2021, with a mission to advocate for the inclusion of Hispanic commercial carriers at a level consistent with the economic demands.

Our intent is to create a voice for motor carrier agencies and generate a passage of equality and opportunity for members, carriers, and supporters. The HMCA's current goal is obtaining support from carriers across the nation to present to legislation evidencing our impacted industry. In our deliberations on this subject, we kept steadily in our interest the importance of our national infrastructure and perishable commodities.

However, to break silos, we need motor carriers and owner-operators alike, to join our quest. We aim to be recognized as an association that will create further opportunities and champion future generations. If legislation passes our requests, visas will provide qualified operators from Mexico the opportunity to work for our carriers but with the understanding that they need to meet all legal aspects of the conditions set forth by immigration to include a drug screening and be compliant with Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations. In brief, the HMCA will continue to combat the struggles and challenges, but we stand vulnerable without your support.

Join us and be a part of the transformation.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Sanchez, President

Hispanic Motor Carrier Association

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Hon. Alejandro Mayorkas Secretary U.S. Department of Homeland Security 301 7th Street, SW Washington, DC 20528

RE: Urgent Stamp of Approval for B1/B2 Commercial Drivers

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

The American Trucking industry has estimated that in 2021, we are living in one of the greatest shortage of qualified commercial drivers that will hit a historic number of over 80,000 operators needed. It is estimated in the coming years, left unchecked, we could see an unprecedented number of perishable commodities and medications discarded due to shelf life and/or expirations.

As you may know, over 71% of the US goods are moved by trucking entities. A bipartisan ACT presented by the Department of Homeland Security to Congress to allow a bill that would authorize grant money to used by the Hispanic Motor Carrier Association (HMCA) could present a solution to this shortage. This ACT would allow authorization for the HMCA to conduct vetting, archives, training, and duty assignments to trucking entities within our membership guidelines.

Those qualified could be B1/B2 holders or even H2b visa holders. Honorable Dr. Armando O' Cana, Mayor of Mission, Texas, has been instrumental in assisting the HMCA and has even offered a facility to conduct all business needs for this venture. In addition, South Texas College has also supported the idea of training should this proposal be granted.

Please review the following information as I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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January 18, 2022

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Dear Mr. Sanchez:

Thank you for your November 17, 2021 letter to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Secretary Mayorkas asked that I respond on his behalf.

DHS recognizes the special role the trucking industry plays in ensuring the timely provision of perishable commodities, including medications and other products, that are essential to the well-being of our country. Should Congress enact legislation that will further this important objective, DHS stands ready to implement any such law.

Please rest assured that we appreciate your letter and interest in this important issue.

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