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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Administrator

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor of South Carolina
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is pleased to announce the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Agency's Phase 2 Fuel Efficiency Standards for Medium-Duty and Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles. Please share this letter with the appropriate agencies, offices, and jurisdictions in your State.

On July 13, 2015, NHTSA and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published in the Federal Register a joint proposal to reduce fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions by medium-duty and heavy-duty engines and vehicles. The joint proposal addresses the closely intertwined challenges of energy independence, energy security, and climate change.

The Final EIS analyzes the environmental impacts of NHTSA's fuel efficiency standards and a range of alternatives pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321–4347). NHTSA analyzed impacts related to fuel and energy use, air quality, climate, natural resources, and the human environment. NHTSA is issuing this Final EIS concurrently with the Final Rule (Record of Decision), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 304a (Pub. L. 114-94, 129 Stat. 1312, Section 1311(a)).

The Final EIS is available for public viewing online at www.nhtsa.gov/fuel-economy and on the public docket at www.regulations.gov (Docket No. NHTSA-2014-0074). To obtain a hard copy of the Final EIS or a CD with a digital version of the document, please contact Mr. James Tamm, NHTSA Fuel Economy Division Chief, at 202-493-0515 (for TTY, please contact 800-424-9153) or at nhtsa.nepa@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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