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SUPPORT

R.B. No. 983: AN ACT CONCERNING SLOWING DOWN FOR SERVICE VEHICLES

Dear Transportation Committee: I am President and owner of Hocon Gas, Inc., we employ approximately 150 people in Connecticut and have operating facilities in Norwalk, Danbury, Torrington, Guilford, Waterbury and Suffield. We also operate approximately 50 service, fuel oil and bulk (Bobtail) delivery vehicles in our state.

R.B No. 983 creates a safer work environment for our Bulk Delivery Drivers and we strongly support this bill. The majority of our fuel deliveries must be performed by parking on the street side and this creates a risk for our personnel especially when there is approaching traffic. Requiring oncoming traffic to slow down and move safely aside reduces the risk of collision and will improve the level of safety for our delivery drivers.

We encourage the Transportation Committee to advance this important safety legislation. Thank you for your consideration today.