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MG Sue Davidson:

The California Moving and Storage Association (CMSA) is aware that both the International Association of Movers (IAM) and the American Moving & Storage Association (AMSA) have written to you expressing their concerns regarding the recently announced Surface Deployment and Distribution Command's (SDDC), Defense Personal Property Program (DP3) Intrastate Requalification process. We concur with the concerns voiced by both of those organizations.

We request that you reconsider an immediate delay of the SDDC Intrastate Requalification initiative.

We appreciate the fact that in a recent update SDDC acknowledged that they were open to accepting feedback from the industry but too many questions remain unanswered. Intrastate Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) are still being asked to provide a great deal of information about their organizations without a full understanding as to how this information will be used to evaluate them. The evaluation criteria have not been fully defined and the stakes are too high for these individual companies that we represent.

Many of these companies potentially being impacted are small business and the impact on these small businesses, many of which operate solely to support the Department of Defense (DOD), could be devastating.

Industry needs the opportunity to dialog directly with SDDC as to what the goals for this process are and to fully understand the specific criteria which will be used to determine if a TSP will be able to maintain their intrastate approval.

The timing for this initiative could not have been worse. We are in the middle of the busiest part of the moving season. Transportation Services Providers are focused providing high quality PCS moves to the U.S. military. At this critical juncture in the moving season to ask the industry to redirect their efforts away from their core mission is counterproductive.

It is critical that Transportation Service Providers be afforded an opportunity to comment on this initiative before this process begins, not as an afterthought during the process.

We respectfully request that SDDC step back from the process. Delay the requalification implementation and take some time to work with industry to reevaluate why this process is even necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Weitekamp", with a stylized, flowing script.

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