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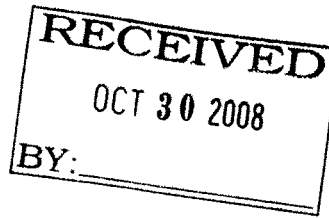
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**RE: CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 06-049 AFFECTING CH. TRANS 276, WIS. ADMIN. CODE**

Gentlemen:

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation hereby withdraws **CR 06-049** which proposed to amend s. Trans 276.07(28) and (31m), Wis. Admin. Code, relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other combination vehicles ("long trucks") on specified highways.

Clearinghouse Rule 06-049 was proposed to designate CTH T from USH 12 to STH 29, and CTH F from STH 312 (formerly STH 124) to 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue as long truck routes. The Department held a public hearing on June 20, 2006 at the Hill Farms State Transportation Building in Madison. One person appeared at the public hearing on behalf of Nestlé USA who voiced general support for permitting 53-foot trailers on these highway segments. No other persons appeared at the hearing.

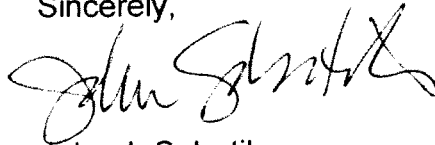
The Department concluded that the proposed long truck routes are not suitable for designation. First, CTH F has no connection to STH 29, so its designation would be of limited utility. CTH T at least provides a connection between STH 312 and STH 29 but, because of the weight restrictions, would also be of very limited utility. Finally, the proposed CTH F segment is too winding to have 53 ft. or double bottoms regularly travel it.

The Department also considered the reason provided by Nestlé USA and Dachel Hog Farm (a Nestlé customer) in requesting this rule making: to provide a legal route for vehicles to make deliveries from two of Nestlé's factories to the Dachel hog farm. Recently enacted 2005 Wis. Act 363 permits these deliveries to be made using 53-foot trailers within 15 miles of a designated long truck route. The requester's goal of providing deliveries to the farm can be met under this new law by entering USH 29 at CTH T and exiting at 90<sup>th</sup> Street without having to designate any new stretches of highway as "long

truck routes" on which unlimited traffic by trucks with 53 foot trailers and double-bottoms would be permitted.

The Department's engineers analyzed the highways in question and concluded that they are not appropriate for long truck designation. Accordingly, by this letter, the Department withdraws proposed rule CR 06-049, pursuant to s. 227.14(6)(b), Stats.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Sobotik". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".

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