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September 18, 2014

Mrs. Jeanette Golden
c/o Michael Berry
2001 West Plano Parkway, Suite 1600
Plano, Texas 75075

RE: Sign 7615 in Sabine County, Texas

Dear Mrs. Golden:

As you know, on May 29, 2014, after negotiating with the Federal Highway Administration, the Texas Transportation Commission (Commission) approved draft language on a new exemption to be enforced as 43 Texas Administrative Code §21.146(a)(12) for primary roads and § 21.405(a)(15) for rural roads. This morning the Commission adopted the proposed rule and it will become effective on or about October 9, 2014; the Minute Order approving the rule and a copy of the rules as passed are attached to this letter for your records.

What does this mean for you? It means that your sign is now exempt from regulation and you do not need to do anything—it's completely legal.

In closing, I personally would like to thank you and Liberty Institute for bringing this issue to our attention. The rights of the citizens of Texas are better protected today because of all our efforts. This has been a civics lesson in how democratic government is supposed to work and it would not have happened without you.

Sincerely,

Ronald M. Johnson
Associate General Counsel

Attachments

cc: Gus Cannon – Director, Resource Management Section, Right of Way Division, TxDOT