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80 Ag Associations Request Urgent Intervention to Protect Agriculture Exporters from Ocean Carrier Abuse

The damage coronavirus is doing to US agriculture is compounded by injuries imposed by the ocean carriers on US exporters, already found by the Federal Maritime Commission to be punitive, unwarranted, exacting a heavy economic toll. For over 7 months, the Federal Maritime Commission has had on its desk a Proposed Rule providing urgently needed relief from abusive Detention and Demurrage practices. It is awaiting a long delayed vote.

Today, 80 major agriculture associations are requesting, by [letter](#) to Lawrence Kudlow at the White House, Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue, and leaders of Congressional agriculture committees, intervention to end the delays at the FMC. We do not need more studies and reports, the coronavirus crisis is upon us. This Rule can and should be adopted forthwith.

[Click here to see letter from 80 agriculture associations.](#)

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