

TOWN OF HATFIELD MASSACHUSETTS

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Select Board

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Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator

March 14, 2023

Dear Hatfield Business Owner:

Recently, concern regarding use of compression release engine brakes on motor vehicles and trucks that create loud and excessive noise and vibrations traveling along Hatfield roads was brought to the Select Board. The purpose of this letter is to communicate with our commercial trucking companies and ask for your support. We understand the safety factor that compression engine brakes are intended for.

We are asking you to consider notifying drivers to prohibit use of compression release engine brakes with the exception of emergency situations, on public roads when traveling on flat, low-grade, or uphill roads. The Select Board would be glad to discuss any questions or discuss this further with you. Please contact the Town Administrator, Marlene Michonski @ 247, 9200, extension 7, or, email, townadministrator@townofhatfield.org.

Your company's initiative will be appreciated very much.

Sincerely,

Diana M. Szynal, Chair

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