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Ms. Stephanie Pollack
Secretary of Transportation
Massachusetts Transportation Building
10 Park Plaza, Suite 4160
Boston, MA 02116

Dear Secretary Pollack,

I am writing to you on behalf of the NAGE members employed with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation regarding concerns about the coronavirus and their health and safety in the workplace. As noted in a recent State House News article, the administration is working on a response plan with regard to the coronavirus. NAGE would like to assist in any way possible regarding the response strategy to help prevent the spread of the virus. We are looking to assist in providing information to our members about this evolving health and safety matter and doing our part to ensure a continued healthy and safe work environment.

In addition, NAGE is requesting that the administration notify all MassDOT employees about precautions that the Employer is taking with regard to the coronavirus, such as additional sanitization, cleaning, and preventative measures being implemented in the workplace. Due to the thousands of people interacting with our members on a daily basis, we are requesting additional sanitization to all public zones, including waiting areas and service counters. This step is crucial in preventing the spread of the virus and ensuring the health and safety of all employees. We also believe it would be beneficial to provide employees with health tips to prevent the spread of any infection, including information from the Department of Public Health and the CDC on preventative measures.

We would appreciate a response to this letter, and reiterate we are happy to work with MassDOT on a plan to help ensure the health and safety of our members in preventing the spread of the coronavirus.

Thank you for your anticipated response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David J. Holway'.

David J. Holway
National President