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To: North Dakota Elevator Managers and all Allied Members

### ACTION ALERT

Your help is needed to make sure HB 1417 passes the North Dakota House. It could be voted on as early as this afternoon.

HB 1417 says that a dealer or transporter of LP gas, methane or natural gas is immune from civil liability for damages that are caused by a customer modifying equipment using those gases or if the customer uses those gases for a purpose not intended.

That is simple common sense. If you don't break it you shouldn't have to fix it, and also pay attorney fees. The trial lawyers oppose this bill.

To read the entire bill go to <http://www.legis.nd.gov/>. Then drop down to and click on Session Quick Links on the right hand side. Click on House Bills and then 1417. Be sure to read the 3<sup>rd</sup> entry shown, the FIRST ENGROSSMENT version.

To contact your Representative, click on House Members on the Quick Links page. Click on your Representatives' names to get the email addresses. Contact those in your district and any others you might know.

Keep your message short and to the point. Ask them to vote YES on HB 1417. You could say something like this: It is a common sense bill that's all about personal responsibility. If a customer jerry-rigs equipment or misuses a product, the person who sold him that product should not be held liable for the consequences. Best to use your own words.

The House goes in session at 1:00 p.m. today and this bill could come up anytime. It is actually a ways down the calendar but sometimes bills get moved up or down. It could get laid over until tomorrow, but don't wait.

Adding anhydrous to this bill in the Senate might be a possibility. But it has to get through the House first.