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## ABA SALUTES FMCSA'S EFFORTS TO SHUTDOWN DOUBLE HAPPYNESS

The American Bus Association is very pleased that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) took action through the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania reviewed the case and then issued a temporary restraining order against DoubleHappyness Travel, Inc. of Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania.

Under the terms of the restraining order, DoubleHappyness is prohibited from operating in or affecting interstate passenger transportation service.

“This is great news that FMCSA and the Department of Transportation realize what a threat to the public dangerous, unsafe bus companies like DoubleHappy are. By its repeated actions, companies like this one flaunt the law and put lives at risk. We applaud the efforts of the regulators and encourage the FMCSA to continue finding illegal and unsafe bus companies and getting them off the road,” said Peter Pantuso, President and CEO of the American Bus Association.

The ABA is taking steps to make sure unsafe bus companies are also not part of the Association's membership. A motorcoach company that has an FMCSA score of Unsatisfactory is immediately removed from the association. Our membership roster is reviewed every three months. And the ABA will assist those companies to improve their safety culture, by inviting them to participate with the ABA's Bus Industry Safety Council and other programs that improve their business.

“It is imperative that our industry and the federal government continue to work together on these important safety issues, to get the illegal and unsafe companies off the road for good,” added Peter Pantuso.

*The American Bus Association is the trade organization of the intercity bus industry with more than 1000 motorcoach owner and tour company members in the United States and Canada. Its members operate charter, tour, regular route, airport express, special operations and contract services. Another 2,800 members are travel and tourism organizations and suppliers of bus products and services who work in partnership with the North American motorcoach industry.*