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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Research and Special Programs  
Administration****49 CFR Part 172**

[Docket No. HM-181, Notice No. 89-10]

RIN 2137-AA01

**Classification of Gases Which Are  
Toxic by Inhalation; Reopening of  
Comment Period****AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs  
Administration (RSPA), (DOT).**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking;  
reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On July 26, 1989, RSPA published a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (Docket HM-181, Notice No. 89-5) in the Federal Register (54 FR 31158) concerning the classification of anhydrous ammonia. RSPA has received a joint request from the Railway Labor Executives' Association and the Environmental Policy Institute/Friends of the Earth for additional time to submit comments. The requesters indicate that additional time is needed " \* \* \* for getting informed, genuine and widespread comments from our members and constituents in the general public." The comment period has previously been reopened and extended based on requests from other sectors of the affected public, particularly the agricultural community, and closed on October 24, 1989. RSPA notes that this issue has a significant public interest and many late-filed comments are being received. RSPA believes that reopening the comment period is in the public interest and, by this notice, is reopening the comment period for Notice No. 89-5 to January 30, 1990.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before January 30, 1990.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
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Division, telephone (202) 368-4488,  
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Transportation, U.S. Department of  
Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW.,  
Washington, DC 20590.**ADDRESSES:** Address comments to  
Dockets Unit (DHM-30), Office of  
Hazardous Materials Transportation.

RSPA, U.S. Department of  
Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.  
Comments should identify the docket  
and notice number and be submitted,  
when possible, in five copies. Persons  
wishing to receive confirmation of  
receipt of their comments should include  
a self-addressed, stamped postcard. The  
Docket Unit is located in Room 8421 of  
the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street  
SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office  
hours are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday  
through Friday, except public holidays.

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