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The Honorable Jonathan Morrison  
Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Zoox – Receipt of Application for Temporary Exemption From Various Requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for an Automated Driving System-Equipped Vehicle, Docket No. 2025-0523**

Dear Administrator Morrison,

The Consumer Technology Association (CTA) supports National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) approval of Zoox's petition for a temporary exemption from certain Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) to enable the commercial deployment of its purpose-built autonomous vehicle (AV).

CTA represents the \$565 billion U.S. consumer technology industry, supporting more than 18 million American jobs. Our membership includes companies across the AV ecosystem—vehicle and component manufacturers, software developers, and mobility platforms advancing automated driving system (ADS) technologies.

CTA has consistently supported a national framework enabling the safe deployment of both light and heavy-duty AVs. These technologies strengthen supply chain efficiency and U.S. economic competitiveness. As you noted during the March 2025 National AV Safety Forum, "Access to transportation is access to freedom." AVs expand mobility for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and those unable to drive, while improving roadway safety by reducing human-error-related crashes. Timely approval of Zoox's petition will advance these benefits and reinforce U.S. leadership in automated vehicle innovation.

While this exemption request is specific to Zoox, NHTSA's decision will have broader significance as manufacturers pursue purpose-built AV deployments in the coming years. CTA encourages NHTSA to continue using its exemption authority to facilitate safe deployment and to modernize FMVSS, as appropriate, to reflect the unique design and operation of ADS-equipped vehicles.

CTA appreciates NHTSA's leadership on AV safety and innovation and stands ready to support the agency's efforts. We welcome continued engagement.

Sincerely,

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