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Burns Towing, Inc.
6454 McKinley Ave. E
Tacoma, WA 98404

Re: EMN2 Alex Vaughn, U.S. Navy – VIN # 1G1ZA5E10BF282703

Dear Burns Towing,

I am assisting Petty Officer Second Class Alex Vaughn, U.S. Navy, in my capacity as a legal assistance attorney.

Please be advised that Petty Officer Vaughn is currently on active duty with the U.S. Navy and has been on active duty since December 10, 2012. I have enclosed a copy of the Department of Defense Manpower Data Center Certificate proving Petty Officer Vaughn's active duty status. During the months of March, April, and May, Petty Officer Vaughn was deployed with his command.

Also enclosed, is the Lien and Title Information Report for Petty Officer Vaughn's vehicle. This shows that Navy Federal Credit Union still holds a lien on his vehicle. Therefore, any sale of a storage lien on the vehicle would be invalid.

As I am sure you are aware, the Service Member's Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S. Code § 3958, prevents sale of a storage lien of an active duty service member. The violation of this section may result in a fine or confinement for not more than one year, or both as seen in the enclosed press release with regard to the U.S. Department of Justice's recent settlement agreement with a towing company.

If you could please contact me at (360) 396-6037 or sarah.j.trent1@navy.mil, we are interested in discussing the recovery of the financial loss to Petty Officer Vaughn. As Petty Officer

This letter is written by a legal assistance attorney on behalf of an individual client, and does not represent an official position of the Navy or the United States Government.

Vaughn is set to deploy for an extended period of time beginning next month, I would greatly appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

SARAH J. TRENT
Lieutenant Junior Grade, JAGC, U.S. Navy
Legal Assistance Attorney

Enclosures: 1. DMDC Certificate
2. Lien and Title Report
3. DOJ Publication

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