

Submission 74 – RVS Legislation Consultation

I am concerned that some of the proposed changes unnecessarily reduce my company's potential work and the choice to consumers.

1. Not allowing the importation of used vehicles which would otherwise meet SEVS requirements but have been, but are no longer imported by major importers is an unnecessary restriction. If the major manufacturer no longer imports a particulate model then my importation of such vehicles is no threat to anyone. In fact, it could assist the formal dealers as they can potentially sell many more parts and serving to these vehicles.
 - a. Thus changing this restriction is of benefit to these dealers.
2. The proposed Cost recovery is unfair to anyone who is innovative in adding vehicles to the SEVS register. These people would do all the research which then benefits anyone. If the proposed charges are to remain, the SEVS eligibility should at least be only available to the applicant who has supplied the information until an approval to import subsequent vehicles is issued. At least then some return can be made on the costs incurred.
 - a. Further, when a vehicle is initially added to the SEVS register, it can be 6 months or more until all testing and processing is completed. Thus the initial ruling is not useful for the 2 year term.
 - b. If the vehicle has been already assessed, what will the cost be to reassess at the end of the 2 year period. Most vehicles would have an eligibility which is unchanged.
 - c. A fairer means would be to slightly increased the cost of import approvals so everyone contributes to the process of allowing vehicle into the country.

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