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Mr. Paul Vitrano
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Dear Mr. Vitrano:

Thank you for your letter of November 27, 2013, indicating that the Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association (ROHVA) and its members intend to propose new requirements to ANSI/ROHVA 1-2011 *Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles*, in response to CPSC staff's recommendations to the voluntary standard.^{1,2}

Your letter is an important and positive first step in reducing the number of deaths and injuries associated with ROVs. CPSC staff believes there are additional gains that can be made to make ROVs safer and encourages the ANSI/ROHVA committee to improve the voluntary standard requirements for ROV dynamic stability, steering and handling, and occupant protection, as recommended by CPSC staff. Staff has accepted your invitation to participate in the canvass for development of the next revision of ANSI/ROHVA 1, and we look forward to working with the ANSI/ROHVA committee in developing more rigorous safety requirements to adequately address the number of deaths and injuries associated with ROVs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caroleene Paul", written over a horizontal line.

Caroleene Paul

cc: Colin Church, CPSC Voluntary Standards Coordinator

¹ The comments in this letter are those of the CPSC staff and have not been reviewed or approved by, and may not necessarily reflect the views of, the Commission.

² The CPSC staff's recommendations were provided in a letter dated August 29, 2013, from Caroleene Paul, CPSC, to Paul Vitrano, ROHVA.