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Mike,

Thanks for that language as I had been looking for it in the regs butr had not found it.

I will agree with your second paragraph and will remind all that I brought up what I see as mis use of the cape cod reg and have built in other measures in the proposal to avoid manipulation fo the rules.

I will take a stab at putting some language together and get it out by the end of the weekend

Patrick

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