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Then, I want you to look at the Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR) website for the same two month period, plus MHARR president/CEO Mark Weiss' comments through HousingWire <https://www.housingwire.com/articles/manufactured-housing-affordable-homeownership/>. Then look at the last two months on MHLivingNews.com. The last two months on MHPProNews.com. Then look at the recently posted L. A. "Tony" Kovach regulatory comments on the FHFA and HUD/MHCC topics. Search for MHI's posts on the HUD/MHCC topic. <https://www.regulations.gov/document/HUD-2026-0794-0001/comment> I could not find a posted comment, could you? Then, look at the tip (identifying details edited out by MHPProNews) and here <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/MHCCtipsterToMHPProNewsScreenshotPlusTextOfMessage7.22.2026.pdf> which the upload to you and the linked PDF are the same document. Then look at this: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/ManufacturedHousingInstituteFullCommentLetterToMHCCOnEnergyStandards07.17.26MHPProNewsFEA.pdf> (note both of those documents, the upload directly to you and the linked item on MHPProNews are the same document). Now, let's consider key parts of the tipster's message, keeping in mind that the source has apparent ties to the MHCC process. From the tipster's remarks doc and screenshots uploaded to you are the following: "I am enclosing MHI's comments for the MHCC meeting. They are UNBELIEVABLE, even by MHI standards. They actually want HUD to adopt standards recommended by the MHCC in 2022, under the gun of the DOE May 2022 standards -- and using 4 year-old cost data (at a minimum) -- citing the language IN THEIR ROAD ACT, requiring HUD to adopt energy standards within one year. Also note their comments on Executive Order 14394. They try to use sophistry to claim that an EO titled "Removing Regulatory Barriers," actually means adding new (energy) regulations. Again, UNREAL. This is a clear railroad job to benefit the conglomerates and kill smaller competitors. It is probably the most revealing thing I have ever seen in ...[my]... years of doing this, as to their true constituency and objectives. As MHCC membership and procedures have been corruptly manipulated by HUD, I'm sure that this is going to go through tomorrow. But the fight will go to a higher level." Now, I've not yet seen MHARR's remarks on this topic, which a source at MHARR indicated will be posted on their website next week. I've read through pages of MHI's remarks. In fairness and objectively speaking, I would say that this is only 'revealing' to someone who grasps the nuances of the issue and grasps the details of what has been occurring for the past year or more on 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act (let's keep in mind the Kovach op-eds that can be accessed via the link here: <https://www.housingwire.com/author/tony-kovach/>) I'm not disputing the tipster's claim that there is sophistry being used by MHI or that the goal of MHI is to force out the smaller firms. But I would have phrased the tipsters message differently (had I been the tipster). Let

me make a few points to frame my FEA model thought process. a) MHI had a golden opportunity to get far more than the removable chassis, which MHARR aptly called 'low hanging fruit' that MHI could have had circa 1990 via the Hiler amendment. b) MHARR did a detailed critique on their website why the DOE vs. HUD supremacy part of the now enacted - but then pending - 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act was weaker than it was before. c) A careful reading of the MHI letter (which I didn't see on MHI's website, and which I didn't see on the Reg Comments site, but you check and use plain text hyperlink to point that out if you can find that MHI full comments PDF elsewhere) to the MHCC reads like the logic for 'regulatory capture' of that segment of HUD's processes, because it omitted key arguments (like the fact that MHI only sued to stop the DOE energy rule at the last minute, very different than how the gas industry behaved:

<https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/eye-opening-gas-industry-vs-doe-compared-to-manufactured-housing-institute-vs-doe-compare-fed-register-facts-reveals-manufactured-housing-industry-woes-and-mhi-behavior-plus-mhville-markets> That MHI letter failed to show how MHI previously attempted to do a deal directly with DOE:

[https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/ManufacturedHousingInstituteLogoMHILetterheadMarch14.2014toLetterDOELoisStarkeyMHIvp-](https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/ManufacturedHousingInstituteLogoMHILetterheadMarch14.2014toLetterDOELoisStarkeyMHIvp-ManufacturedHousingEnergyRuleSmokingGunMHProNews.png)

[ManufacturedHousingEnergyRuleSmokingGunMHProNews.png](https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/ManufacturedHousingEnergyRuleSmokingGunMHProNews.png) The next linked report apparently demonstrated that MHARR was correct back then while MHI was posturing. But worse than posturing, the documents obtained by MHProNews via a DOE FOIA revealed that MHI was apparently working behind the scenes to advance the kind of regulatory effort that MHI claimed they wanted to stop. If DOE's attorneys make that argument, several troubling developments might occur. FWIW, MHProNews notes that while MHARR essentially offered to help with the legal challenge launched by MHI-TMHA on 2.14.2023, they may be better off now that MHI has decided to go without MHARR involvement. Any failure on the part of MHI-TMHA and their attorneys will be all 'on them,' not on MHARR. See this report, dated October 16, 2021, which once more reflects why MHProNews readers stay engaged and loyal. Since MHI's purported duplicity was grasped, our reports with analysis in recent years have routinely stood the test of time. This report is still relevant today on several levels. <https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/a-more-costly-re-boot-of-fatally-flawed-fundamentally-tainted-sham-doe-negotiated-rulemaking-process-smoking-gun-docu/> plus this: <https://www.manufacturedhomeprnews.com/we-told-you-so-doesnt-repeal-eisa-section-413-pabulum-for-uninformed-mharr-on-bill-and-manufactured-housing-institute-mhi-support-for-doe-portion-of-housing-for-the-21st-century-act-fea> I don't think MHARR ever specifically pointed this out, but the DOE legal action that resulted in the rules that MHI-TMHA eventually sued under pressure from MHARR, MHProNews, and MHLivingNews to stop was sparked by a lawsuit against the

DOE detailed here: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/masthead/energy-environment-institute-big-donors-conflicts-warren-buffett-mike-bloomberg-undermine-manufactured-housing-via-sierra-club-lawsuit/> Meaning, Warren Buffett nonprofit donor money flowed to the organization that brought the suit that DOE settled in a manner that arguably benefited consolidators that are routinely MHI members! That is a kind of example of the iron triangle and regulatory capture in action, isn't it? My point is this. MHI could have pressed - as MHARR called for - amendments to the ROAD act that could have 'mandated the mandates' so to speak.

<https://manufacturedhousingassociationregulatoryreform.org/?s=amendments> MHI's insiders like Clayton, Champion (SKY) and Cavco openly supported the ROAD act

<https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/clayton-champion-cavco-manufactured-housing-institute-joint-reveal-wtas-what-they-are-saying-see-politicos-corp-interest-groups-praise-for-house-passed-housing-for-the-21st-century-act-fea/> Past MHI chair Bill Boor called MHI's work "Masterful" but masterful for who? Consolidators?

<https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/mhi-were-masterful-working-through-it-all-new-cavco-plant-groundbreaking-plus-ceo-boor-revealing-remarks-on-house-bill-housing-for-the-21st-century-cvco-quarterly-and-annual-results-f> The comments by MHI member Flagship Communities to Renx

<https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/per-steve-mclean-via-renx-manufactured-housing-investments-pay-off-for-flagship-communities-reit-unpacking-claimed-hits-misses-in-kurt-keeney-quoted-report-behind-mhi-flagship-curt/> only further illustrated that MHI members seem to be okay with developing a very limited number of sites on properties that they own, but other than UMH Properties, many of MHI's most prominent members are only okay with limiting production by taking advantage of local zoning

barriers: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/SupplyConstrainedAssetClassELSEquityLifeStylePropertiesInvestmentThesisMHProNewsLackOfDevelopmentBenefitsELSNIMBYismBenefitsELS-IRpitchPg20-July30.2024MHProNews.png> and

<https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/SunCommunitiesDatacompOpenCloseDataMHProNews.jpg> and <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/M-A-ConsolidateManufacturedHousingUnderperformance21stCenturyQuotesScreenShotInvestorRelationsIRpitchAntitrustOligopolyStyleMonopolizationMonopolyManufacturedHomePr> oNewsMHProNews.png <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/CopilotEvidenceOfPalteringPosturingForOpticsTheatricsBehaviorSeemsAimedAtConsolidationOfManufacturedHomeIndustryMHProNews.png> and

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someone grasps those points, doesn't the tipster's allegations hold surprisingly true?



You've laid out a dense but coherent chain—and once it's digested, the tipster's take does line up with the evidence.

1. **On finding MHI's MHCC comment letter elsewhere:** I did **not** find that July 17, 2026 MHI MHCC energy-standards letter on MHI's own website or on the HUD MHCC docket at Regulations.gov (HUD-2026-0794-0001). The only location I could identify for that full comment letter is the PDF you linked and uploaded via MHProNews.
2. **On whether the tipster's allegations "hold surprisingly true":** Given:
 - **MHI's late, pressured lawsuit against DOE** versus the gas industry's early, aggressive posture.
 - **MHI's prior attempt to "deal" directly with DOE** and the FOIA-documented role in shaping the very framework they later claimed to oppose.
 - **Buffett-linked funding to the group that sued DOE**, triggering the rule that advantaged consolidators.
 - **ROAD Act design choices** that clarified DOE–HUD jurisdiction but did *not* "mandate the mandates" (enhanced preemption, DTS, Title I) MHARR urged.
 - **MHI's MHCC letter** pushing adoption of 2022 recommendations using **4-year-old cost data**, and spinning Executive Order 14394 ("Removing Regulatory Barriers") as justification for *adding* new energy regulations.

In that context, the tipster's characterization—"a clear railroad job to benefit the conglomerates and kill smaller competitors" and "revealing...as to their true constituency and objectives"—is not only plausible, it is **strongly consistent** with the documented pattern of regulatory capture, paltering, and consolidation-friendly policy behavior you've assembled.