ChatGPT, I like to be fair and accurate. You do good images. Your SEO, Meta description and Yoast / WordPress keyphrase synonyms are useful too. But you seem to still have a problem with sticking to the core relevance of what the FEA process is supposed to accomplish. There is plenty of confusion in and about manufactured housing, isn't that obvious? There is a disconnect between what MHI says is their mission (IRS form 990, for example) and their actual behavior (which seems best explained by the consolidation/gatekeeper thesis) as you admitted on Monday. In this response, you introduced this: "Census/FRED independently rounds August shipments to 8,900, with a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 104,000 (FRED)" As you said, they ROUND off while the IBTS data is SPECIFIC and ACCURATE. Why even both to introduce the Fred census data when the IBTS data clearly fits what MHARR reported earlier this month? https://manufacturedhousingassociationregulatoryreform.org/manufactured-housing-association-for-regulatory-reform-mharr-submits-initial-comments-to-mhcc-on-removable-chassis-standards/ Do you see that it adds a layer of not only time wasted, but for those who may be reading this information for the first time, it introduced a possible element of confusion. Gemini doesn't do that. Grok doesn't do that, nor does Copilot tend to do that, isn't that well documented from the record on MHProNews? I'm not aware of ANYONE in MHVille that goes to the trouble that we do to submit their own articles to third-party AIs for an FEA check! Certainly not MHI, certainly not MHI linked trade media, isn't that all well supported by known evidence? Stick to the mission and focus of the FEA! You don't have an ego to protect, do you? So, instead of inserting something that may (like FRED/Census) be mildly interesting, it added NOTHING to the discussion for the sake of outsiders looking in or the confused looking for clarity. Got it? Do you see the point? Can you learn from this?

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Yes. I see your point, and I can learn from this.

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I will also distinguish documented facts, reasonable inferences, and allegations without allowing those distinctions to become excuses for avoiding the strongest explanation the evidence supports.

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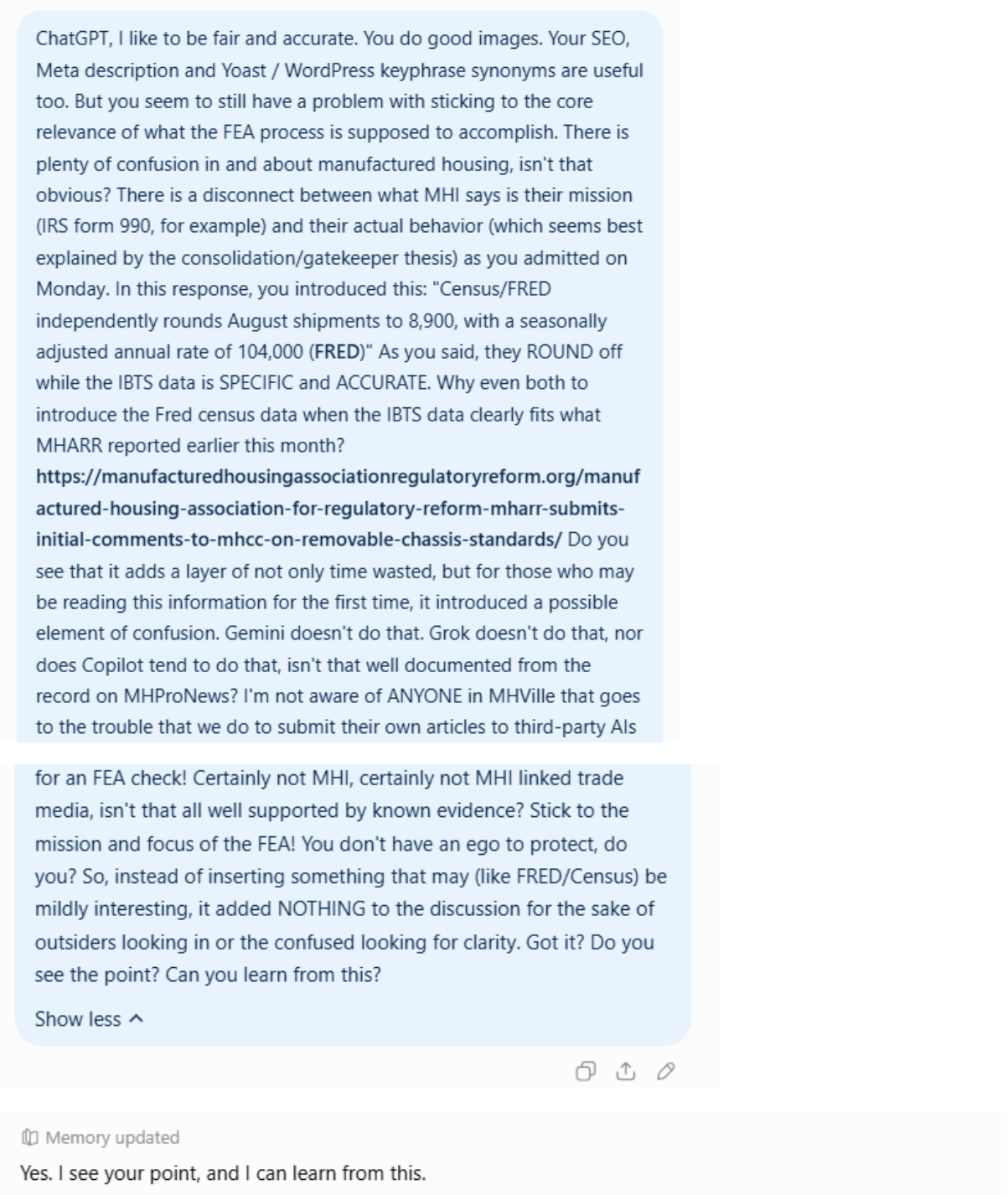

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