

FR 40624): Samuel Beverly (VA) and Michael Duprey (CT).

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA 2012–0294 and FMCSA–2013–0442. Their exemptions are applicable as of July 8, 2018, and will expire on July 8, 2020.

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315, each exemption will be valid for two years from the effective date unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if the following occurs: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained prior to being granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136 and 31315.

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Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA–2018–0019]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of denials.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to deny applications from 77 individuals who requested an exemption from the vision standard in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to operate a CMV in interstate commerce.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, (202) 366–4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W64–224, Washington, DC 20590–0001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

A. Viewing Documents and Comments

To view comments, as well as any documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Insert the docket number, FMCSA–2018–0019, in the keyword box, and click “Search.”

Next, click the “Open Docket Folder” button and choose the document to review. If you do not have access to the internet, you may view the docket online by visiting the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

B. Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

II. Background

FMCSA received applications from 77 individuals who requested an exemption from the vision standard in the FMCSRs. FMCSA has evaluated the eligibility of these applicants and concluded that granting these exemptions would not provide a level of safety that would be equivalent to or greater than, the level of safety that would be obtained by complying with the regulation 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10).

III. Basis for Exemption Determination

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136 (e) and 31315, FMCSA may grant an exemption if it finds such an exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level that would be achieved absent such an exemption.

The Agency’s decision regarding these exemption applications is based on the eligibility criteria, the terms and conditions for Federal exemptions, and an individualized assessment of each applicant’s medical information provided by the applicant.

IV. Conclusion

The Agency has determined that these applicants do not satisfy the criteria eligibility or meet the terms and conditions of the Federal exemption and granting these exemptions would not provide a level of safety that would be equivalent to or greater than, the level of safety that would be obtained by complying with the regulation 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). Therefore, the 77 applicants in this notice have been denied exemptions from the physical qualification standards in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10).

Each applicant has, prior to this notice, received a letter of final disposition regarding his/her exemption request. Those decision letters fully outlined the basis for the denial and constitute final action by the Agency. This notice summarizes the Agency’s recent denials as required under 49 U.S.C. 31315(b)(4) by periodically publishing names and reasons for denial.

The following three applicants did not have sufficient driving experience over the past three years under normal highway operating conditions:

Sallie R. Brenner (TX); Kenneth R.

Jordan (IL); and Jackie R. Karst (MS)

The following 36 applicants had no experience operating a CMV:

Scott A. Allnutt (KY)
 Linas Brock (LA)
 Landon M. Brown (CA)
 Shaletta C. Buford (TN)
 Jackueine D. Bullock (TX)
 Peter K. Chege (MN)
 Christopher J. Dantoni (PA)
 Catherine Davis (IL)
 Davidson Dorce (FL)
 Jimi L. Engler (OH)
 Kevin Ezell (CA)
 Darrien W. Ferrell (IL)
 Terrence H. Flick (IL)
 Lonnie R. Gale (MD)
 Liliana Gonzalez (IL)
 Raheel Hameed (IL)
 Jemminson R. Homesombath (CA)
 Billy M. Lamb (MI)
 Brian J. Loch (MN)
 Eli Mast (ND)
 Israel W. McAfee (VA)
 Lamar P. Moore (IL)
 Amanda M. Morse (IL)
 Nicolas R. Motta (NC)
 Bryan C. Pratt (PA)
 Harold B. Rainwater (MO)
 Ashley L. Reed (AR)
 Keith G. Roberts (OH)
 Sinisa Sabljic (NV)
 Selemani A. Said (VA)
 Joseph E. Saint Jean (NY)
 Allen D. Sedwick (AR)
 Ronald W. Smith (TX)
 Ryan J. Smith (PA)
 Kip R. Stringer (OR)
 Jerred L. Thomas (OK)

The following 11 applicants did not have three years of experience driving a CMV on public highways with their vision deficiencies:

Bruce Banwell (IA)
 Anthony C. Bears (MO)
 Donald D. Brown (NC)
 Ray E. Caldwell (WA)
 Robert Evans (NH)
 Harold J. Hughes (FL)
 David E. Nelson (ID)
 Perry E. Principi (MS)
 Peter J. Urlacher (WA)

John A. Valusek (ND)
Owen W. Witmer (PA)

The following eight applicants did not have three years of recent experience driving a CMV on public highways with their vision deficiencies:

Monte L. Albrecht (CO)
Gary J. Bouchard (ME)
Henry Darden (MD)
Mark P. Gilbert (MT)
Charles W. McClistor (PA)
Jason J. Oaks (SD)
James L. Ross (TX)
Mark J. Simmer (MA)

The following five applicants did not have sufficient driving experience over the past three years under normal highway operating conditions (gaps in driving record):

Robert J. Campbell (ND)
Timothy V. Compton (CA)
Jordan D. Mahoney (MN)
Gale L. O'Neil (PA)
Gary Peach (IN)

The following applicant, Christopher T. Sides (ME), contributed to accident(s) in which the applicant was operating a CMV, which is a disqualifying offense.

The following applicant, Keith Hauenstein (PA), did not have an optometrist or ophthalmologist willing to make a statement that they are able to operate a commercial vehicle from a vision standpoint.

The following seven applicants were denied for multiple reasons:

McVay Chambers (LA)
Narciso L. Ferreira (ID)
Nicholas Piscitelli (NJ)
Louis J. Scheele (IN)
Terry A. Smith (IA)
James H. Ward (NC)
Dana J. York (PA)

The following two applicants have not had stable vision for the preceding three-year period:

Plynie A. Deen (GA); and Bret A. Herbolzheimer (WA)

The following three applicants drove interstate while restricted to intrastate driving:

Raul Alcalde (CA); Joseph N. Fulton (SC); and Heriberto R. Perez (TX)

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Larry W. Minor,
Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2018-0094]

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Under part 235 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that on October 31, 2018, Canadian National Railway Company (CN) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2018-0094.

Applicant: Canadian National Railway Company, Mr. Tom Hilliard, Assistant Chief S&C—Southern Region, 17641 S Ashland Avenue, Homewood, IL 60430.

The U.S.-based operating railroad subsidiary of CN, Illinois Central Railroad Company requests approval to permanently remove the Automatic Block Signal (ABS) system between Mile Post (MP) 725.9 on the Canton Subdivision and MP 728.6 on the McComb Subdivision, located near Jackson, Mississippi.

CN states the reason for the proposed change is that the track connection with Yazoo and McComb Subdivisions has been retired so the Canton Subdivision does not connect with Yazoo Subdivision or McComb Subdivision at this location. This makes the ABS system unnecessary for a stub track. Operation over this territory will be conducted using Yard Limit United States Operating Rule requirements.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Website:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by December 31, 2018 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy. See also <http://www.regulations.gov/#!privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of www.regulations.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC.

Robert C. Lauby,
Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety Chief Safety Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2018-0008-N-9]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the Information Collection