

Agency will evaluate any adverse evidence submitted and, if safety is being compromised or if continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA will take immediate steps to revoke the exemption of a driver.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-1998-4334; FMCSA-2000-7165; FMCSA-2002-13411; FMCSA-2005-20560; FMCSA-2006-25246; FMCSA-2007-27897]

#### Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Renewals; Vision

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final disposition.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA previously announced its decision to renew the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 44 individuals. FMCSA has statutory authority to exempt individuals from the vision requirement if the exemptions granted will not compromise safety. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemptions will provide a level of safety that will be equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Electronic Access

You may see all the comments online through the Federal Document Management System (FDMS) at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

##### Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may grant an exemption for a 2-

year period if it finds "such exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level that would be achieved absent such exemption." The statute also allows the Agency to renew exemptions at the end of the 2-year period. The comment period ended on September 18, 2009.

#### Discussion of Comments

FMCSA received no comments in this proceeding.

#### Conclusion

The Agency has not received any adverse evidence on any of these drivers that indicates that safety is being compromised. Based upon its evaluation of the 44 renewal applications, FMCSA renews the Federal vision exemptions for Eddie Alejandro, John W. Black, III, John A. Bridges, Eddie M. Brown, Edward G. Brown, Edwin L. Bupp, Charles E. Castle, Joel C. Conrad, Duane C. Conway, Brian W. Curtis, Roger D. Davidson, Sr., Richard A. Davis, Sr., Robin C. Duckett, Marco A. Esquivel, Tomie L. Estes, Raymond L. Herman, Jesse R. Hillhouse, Jr., Billy R. Holdman, Ray C. Johnson, Terry R. Jones, Randall H. Keil, James A. Kneece, Paul G. Mathes, John T. McWilliams, Robert A. Miller, Stuart T. Miller, James J. Mitchell, Andrew M. Nurnberg, Kenneth R. Pedersen, Joshua R. Perkins, Ronald F. Prezizia, Eligio M. Ramirez, Victor C. Richert, Garry L. Rogers, Craig R. Saari, Jerry L. Schroder, Gerald J. Shamla, Timothy L. Shorey, William C. Smith, Larry D. Steiner, Robert S. Swaen, Anthony T. Truiolo, Gregory A. VanLue, and Kevin W. Wunderlin.

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each renewal exemption will be valid for 2 years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if:

(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 before it was 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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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[FMCSA Docket No. FMCSA-2009-0207]

#### Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Diabetes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final disposition.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces its decision to exempt twenty-four individuals from its rule prohibiting persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) from operating commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce. The exemptions will enable these individuals to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

**DATES:** The exemptions are effective October 19, 2009. The exemptions expire on October 19, 2011.

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**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and/or Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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##### Background

On August 17, 2009, FMCSA published a notice of receipt of Federal diabetes exemption applications from