

chose to develop the model contracts as informational guides, rather than prescriptive templates, for State and local governments entering into P3 transactions.

About the Toll Concessions Model P3 Contract Guide

The Toll Concessions Model P3 Contract Guide focuses on issues critical to achieving public sector objectives and protecting the interest of the taxpaying and traveling public. The Core Guide discusses seven specific issues, per the following Table of Contents:

1. Introduction
2. Tolling Regulation
3. Benefit-Sharing
4. Supervening Events
5. Changes in Equity Interests
6. Change in Law
7. Defaults, Early Termination, and Compensation
8. Handback

The FHWA is not accepting any further comments on the Core Guide, which was published on September 10, 2014, and can be found on the Docket (FHWA-2014-0006) and at http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/ipd/pdfs/p3/model_p3_core_toll_concessions.pdf.

There are, of course, many substantive P3 contract provisions in addition to the seven discussed in the Core Guide. With today's publication of the draft Addendum, FHWA proposes to complete the Toll Concessions Guide with the following chapter topics:

9. Construction Performance Security
10. Insurance
11. Lenders Rights and Direct Agreement
12. Department step-in
13. Performance Standards and Non-Compliance Points
14. Consumer Protections
15. Federal Requirements
16. Governmental Approvals and Permits
17. Utilities and Third Party Rights
18. Financial Model Adjustments
19. Department and Developer Changes
20. Additional Capacity Construction Requirements
21. Nature of Proprietary Interest
22. Contract Term
23. Developer Indemnities
24. Dispute Resolution
25. Intellectual Property
26. Amendments to Key Developer Documents
27. Assignment
28. General Provisions

The Draft Addendum also includes the Glossary of Terms developed for the Core Guide. Comments suggesting changes to glossary terms will be evaluated in light of their impact on the entire Toll Concessions Guide.

The Draft Addendum can be found on the Docket (FHWA-2014-0006) and at the following link: http://www.fhwa.gov/ipd/pdfs/p3/model_p3_toll_concessions_addendum.pdf.

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In coming months, FHWA will publish a draft guide to availability payment concessions, in which government appropriations are the source of compensation to the private sector partner. The use of availability payments in P3 transactions is increasing, and many provisions in the Toll Concessions Model P3 Contract Guide will be germane to the Availability Payment Concessions Model P3 Contract Guide, which will be published from the start as a single, complete draft. Similar to the toll guides, FHWA will invite public comments on the Availability Payment Concessions Model P3 Contract Guide.

Authority: Section 1534 (d) of Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century, MAP-21, enacted October 1, 2012.

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Acting Administrator, Federal Highway Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2014-0196]

Agency Information Collection Activities; New Information Collection Request: FMCSA Annual Grant Program Effectiveness Survey

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for its review and approval and invites public comment. The purpose of this information collection is to acquire the perspectives of FMCSA State partners who support the operation, regulation and enforcement of various mutually-beneficial safety programs. This knowledge will improve the Federal government's understanding of the effectiveness of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety related grant programs. The FMCSA is interested in surveying grant recipients to collect information on the strengths, weaknesses, and effectiveness of FMCSA grant programs with the intent

of improving our capacity to meet the needs of our grantees. FMCSA needs this information to support program evaluation endeavors, program management, and fiscal decision making. FMCSA will use the results in various analyses conducted by FMCSA designed to assess the effectiveness of existing rules, grant programs, and safety programs. On October 8, 2014, FMCSA published a notice in the **Federal Register** allowing for a 60-day comment period on this ICR. The agency received no comments in response to that notice.

DATES: Please send your comments by February 17, 2015. OMB must receive your comments by this date in order to act on the ICR.

ADDRESSES: All comments should reference Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2014-0196. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov, or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eugene Johnson, Strategic Planning, and Program Evaluation Division, Office of Policy, Strategic Planning and Regulations, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-5490; email Eugene.Johnson@dot.gov. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you have questions on viewing material in the docket, contact Docket Operations (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FMCSA Annual Grant Program Effectiveness Survey.

OMB Control Number: 2126-00XX.

Type of Request: New collection.

Respondents: State Grant Recipients.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50 State Respondents.

Estimated Time per Response: 45 minutes per response.

Expiration Date: N/A. This is a new ICR.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 63 hours [(50 electronic mail-in

respondents × 45 minutes/60 minutes) + (50 State personnel interviews × 30 minutes/60 minutes) = 63]. Minutes per response = 62.5 rounded to 63.]

Background: The Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration (FMCSA) needs a survey of its State partner-grant recipients who support the operation, regulation and enforcement of various mutually-beneficial safety programs. This knowledge will improve the Federal government's understanding of the effectiveness of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety related grant programs. The FMCSA is interested in surveying grant recipients to collect information on the strengths, weaknesses, and effectiveness of FMCSA grant programs.

In 2009, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued a final report on a FMCSA grant program called Performance Registration Information System Management PRISM. The GAO reported was entitled, "Motor Carrier Safety: Commercial Vehicle Registration Program Has Kept Carriers from Operating, but Effectiveness Is Difficult to Measure, GAO-09-495." The GAO recommended FMCSA measure the PRISM program's effectiveness when the number of States that have the ability to deny, suspend, or revoke registrations of CMVs operated by OOS carriers is sufficient to make such measurements meaningful.

The authority to require Federal Agencies to monitor grants is 2 CFR Chapter I, and Chapter II Parts 200, 215, 220, 225, and 230 Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. OMB Circular A-110, Reports and Records, sections 50 through 53 set forth the procedures for monitoring and reporting on the recipient's financial and program performance and the necessary standard reporting forms.

The Agency proposes to collect the data for this project via electronic mail surveys and conduct clarifying interviews as appropriate. The information collection supports the DOT's Strategic Goal of Safety, and will help confirm whether the program(s) improve public health and safety by reducing transportation-related fatalities and injuries. Therefore, the purpose of this ICR is to conduct a survey using Form MCSA-5888 to evaluate the effectiveness of FMCSA's grant programs through the use of in-person interviews and electronic surveys. The survey will not be statistical in nature, as the intention is to receive the comments of all affected state partners. The survey will not exceed 30 questions and the complexity of the question

structure will be Likert scale and short responses. The decision to use the Likert scale over the ordinal scale is the numbers in the ordinal level indicate the relative position of items, but not the magnitude of difference that you get from the Likert scale. For example, the survey will present a question like "The grant funding provided in support of your program is adequate to meet all aspects of the mission." The response options may include:

1. Strongly disagree
2. Disagree
3. Neutral
4. Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. Not Applicable

The Agency will use this information to establish a baseline of our grant programs from the grantee's perspective for use in future grant-related decision making, to include: (1) Assessing the impacts of proposed rules, (2) identifying potential improvements in its grant supported safety programs, and (3) complement future budget and resource related decisions.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FMCSA to perform its functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Issued under the authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87 on January 5, 2015.

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Associate Administrator, Office of Research and Information Technology and Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2014-0297]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

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

ACTION: Notice of final disposition.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to exempt 12 individuals from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs). They are unable to meet the

vision requirement in one eye for various reasons. The exemptions will enable these individuals to operate commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce without meeting the prescribed vision requirement in one eye. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemptions will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these CMV drivers.

DATES: The exemptions were granted November 22, 2014. The exemptions expire on November 22, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elaine M. Papp, R.N., 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., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, contact Docket Services, telephone (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Electronic Access

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

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.

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

On October 22, 2014, FMCSA published a notice of receipt of exemption applications from certain individuals, and requested comments from the public (79 FR 63211). That notice listed 12 applicants' case histories. The 12 individuals applied for exemptions from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), for drivers who operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

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