

driving, for presentation to a duly authorized Federal, State, or local enforcement official. The exemption will be rescinded if: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was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(e) and 31315.

VI. Preemption

During the period the exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with this exemption with respect to a person operating under the exemption.

VI. Conclusion

Based upon its evaluation of the 71 exemption applications, FMCSA renews the exemptions of the aforementioned drivers from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), subject to the requirements cited above. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each exemption will be valid for two years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA.

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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-1998-3637; FMCSA-2000-7006; FMCSA-2001-10578; FMCSA-2002-12432; FMCSA-2002-12844; FMCSA-2004-19477; FMCSA-2005-23238; FMCSA-2006-26066; FMCSA-2008-0266; FMCSA-2008-0340; FMCSA-2010-0082; FMCSA-2010-0201; FMCSA-2010-0287; FMCSA-2010-0327; FMCSA-2010-0354; FMCSA-2010-0385; FMCSA-2012-0040; FMCSA-2012-0337; FMCSA-2012-0339; FMCSA-2014-0007; FMCSA-2014-0010; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0299; FMCSA-2014-0300; FMCSA-2016-0207; FMCSA-2016-0210; FMCSA-2016-0212]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

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

ACTION: Notice of renewal of exemptions; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to renew exemptions for 52 individuals from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) for interstate commercial motor vehicle (CMV)

drivers. The exemptions enable these individuals to continue to operate CMVs in interstate commerce without meeting the vision requirements in one eye.

DATES: Each group of renewed exemptions were applicable on the dates stated in the discussions below and will expire on the dates stated in the discussions below. Comments must be received on or before March 8, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket No. FMCSA-1998-3637; FMCSA-2000-7006; FMCSA-2001-10578; FMCSA-2002-12432; FMCSA-2002-12844; FMCSA-2004-19477; FMCSA-2005-23238; FMCSA-2006-26066; FMCSA-2008-0266; FMCSA-2008-0340; FMCSA-2010-0082; FMCSA-2010-0201; FMCSA-2010-0287; FMCSA-2010-0327; FMCSA-2010-0354; FMCSA-2010-0385; FMCSA-2012-0040; FMCSA-2012-0337; FMCSA-2012-0339; FMCSA-2014-0007; FMCSA-2014-0010; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0299; FMCSA-2014-0300; FMCSA-2016-0207; FMCSA-2016-0210; FMCSA-2016-0212 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the "Public Participation" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for instructions on submitting comments.

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. If you have questions regarding viewing or submitting material to the docket, contact Docket Services, telephone (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

A. Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (Docket No. FMCSA-1998-3637; FMCSA-2000-7006; FMCSA-2001-10578; FMCSA-2002-12432; FMCSA-2002-12844; FMCSA-2004-19477; FMCSA-2005-23238; FMCSA-2006-26066; FMCSA-2008-0266; FMCSA-2008-0340; FMCSA-2010-0082; FMCSA-2010-0201; FMCSA-2010-0287; FMCSA-2010-0327; FMCSA-2010-0354; FMCSA-2010-0385; FMCSA-2012-0040; FMCSA-2012-0337; FMCSA-2012-0339; FMCSA-2014-0007; FMCSA-2014-0010; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0299; FMCSA-2014-0300; FMCSA-2016-0207; FMCSA-2016-0210; FMCSA-2016-0212), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, put the docket number, FMCSA-1998-3637; FMCSA-2000-7006; FMCSA-2001-10578; FMCSA-2002-12432; FMCSA-2002-12844; FMCSA-2004-19477; FMCSA-2005-23238; FMCSA-2006-26066; FMCSA-2008-0266; FMCSA-2008-0340; FMCSA-2010-0082; FMCSA-2010-0201; FMCSA-2010-0287; FMCSA-2010-0327; FMCSA-2010-0354; FMCSA-2010-0385; FMCSA-2012-0040; FMCSA-2012-0337; FMCSA-2012-0339; FMCSA-2014-0007; FMCSA-2014-0010; FMCSA-2014-0298; FMCSA-2014-0299; FMCSA-2014-0300; FMCSA-2016-0207; FMCSA-2016-0210; FMCSA-2016-0212, in the keyword box, and click "Search." When the new screen appears, click on the "Comment Now!" button and type your comment into the text box on the following screen. Choose whether you are submitting your comment as an individual or on behalf of a third party and then submit.

If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the facility,

please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

FMCSA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

B. 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–1998–3637; FMCSA–2000–7006; FMCSA–2001–10578; FMCSA–2002–12432; FMCSA–2002–12844; FMCSA–2004–19477; FMCSA–2005–23238; FMCSA–2006–26066; FMCSA–2008–0266; FMCSA–2008–0340; FMCSA–2010–0082; FMCSA–2010–0201; FMCSA–2010–0287; FMCSA–2010–0327; FMCSA–2010–0354; FMCSA–2010–0385; FMCSA–2012–0040; FMCSA–2012–0337; FMCSA–2012–0339; FMCSA–2014–0007; FMCSA–2014–0010; FMCSA–2014–0298; FMCSA–2014–0299; FMCSA–2014–0300; FMCSA–2016–0207; FMCSA–2016–0210; FMCSA–2016–0212, 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.

C. 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

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may grant an exemption for five years if it finds that 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 five-year period. FMCSA grants exemptions from the FMCSRs for a two-year period to align with the maximum duration of a driver's medical certification.

The physical qualification standard for drivers regarding vision found in 49

CFR 391.41(b)(10) states that a person is physically qualified to drive a CMV if that person has distant visual acuity of at least 20/40 (Snellen) in each eye without corrective lenses or visual acuity separately corrected to 20/40 (Snellen) or better with corrective lenses, distant binocular acuity of a least 20/40 (Snellen) in both eyes with or without corrective lenses, field of vision of at least 70° in the horizontal meridian in each eye, and the ability to recognize the colors of traffic signals and devices showing red, green, and amber.

The 52 individuals listed in this notice have requested renewal of their exemptions from the vision standard in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), in accordance with FMCSA procedures. Accordingly, FMCSA has evaluated these applications for renewal on their merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period.

III. Request for Comments

Interested parties or organizations possessing information that would otherwise show that any, or all, of these drivers are not currently achieving the statutory level of safety should immediately notify FMCSA. The 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.

IV. Basis for Renewing Exemptions

Under 49 U.S.C. 31315(b)(1), an exemption may be granted for no longer than five years from its approval date and may be renewed upon application. FMCSA grants exemptions from the vision standard for a two-year period to align with the maximum duration of a driver's medical certification. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each of the 52 applicants has satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision standard (see 63 FR 30285; 63 FR 54519; 65 FR 20245; 65 FR 57230; 65 FR 77069; 66 FR 53826; 66 FR 66966; 67 FR 54525; 67 FR 57266; 67 FR 68719; 67 FR 71610; 68 FR 2629; 68 FR 8794; 68 FR 69434; 69 FR 52741; 69 FR 64806; 69 FR 64810; 69 FR 71100; 70 FR 2705; 70 FR 8659; 70 FR 74102; 71 FR 5105; 71 FR 19600; 71 FR 53489; 71 FR 63379; 71 FR 66217; 72 FR 1051; 72 FR 1054; 72 FR 1056; 72 FR 5489; 73 FR 11989; 73 FR 36955; 73 FR 51336; 73 FR 51689; 73 FR 63047; 73 FR 74565; 73 FR 75803; 73 FR 76439; 73 FR 78423; 74 FR 980; 74 FR 6207; 74 FR 6209; 75 FR 13653; 75 FR 25919; 75 FR 36779; 75 FR 39729; 75 FR 52062;

75 FR 54958; 75 FR 64396; 75 FR 65057; 75 FR 69737; 75 FR 70078; 75 FR 72863; 75 FR 77942; 75 FR 77949; 75 FR 79081; 75 FR 79083; 75 FR 79084; 76 FR 1499; 76 FR 2190; 76 FR 4413; 76 FR 4414; 76 FR 5425; 76 FR 8809; 77 FR 17107; 77 FR 23799; 77 FR 33558; 77 FR 38384; 77 FR 40946; 77 FR 52389; 77 FR 64582; 77 FR 68200; 77 FR 68202; 77 FR 70534; 77 FR 70537; 77 FR 74273; 77 FR 74733; 77 FR 74734; 77 FR 75496; 78 FR 797; 78 FR 798; 78 FR 1919; 78 FR 9772; 78 FR 12813; 78 FR 12817; 79 FR 18391; 79 FR 35218; 79 FR 38659; 79 FR 46300; 79 FR 51643; 79 FR 53514; 79 FR 56104; 79 FR 59357; 79 FR 64001; 79 FR 65759; 79 FR 65760; 79 FR 69985; 79 FR 72756; 79 FR 73397; 79 FR 73686; 79 FR 73687; 79 FR 74169; 80 FR 603; 80 FR 2473; 80 FR 3305; 80 FR 3308; 80 FR 3723; 80 FR 5615; 80 FR 8927; 80 FR 9304; 80 FR 18693; 81 FR 70248; 81 FR 72664; 81 FR 80161; 81 FR 81230; 81 FR 86063; 81 FR 90046; 81 FR 94013; 81 FR 96165; 81 FR 96180; 82 FR 12683; 82 FR 13048). They have submitted evidence showing that the vision in the better eye continues to meet the requirement specified at 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) and that the vision impairment is stable. In addition, a review of each record of safety while driving with the respective vision deficiencies over the past two years indicates each applicant continues to meet the vision exemption requirements. These factors provide an adequate basis for predicting each driver's ability to continue to drive safely in interstate commerce. Therefore, FMCSA concludes that extending the exemption for each renewal applicant for a period of two years is likely to achieve a level of safety equal to that existing without the exemption.

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following groups of drivers received renewed exemptions in the month of February and are discussed below. As of February 5, 2019, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following 32 individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (63 FR 30285; 63 FR 54519; 65 FR 20245; 65 FR 57230; 65 FR 77069; 66 FR 53826; 66 FR 66966; 67 FR 57266; 67 FR 71610; 68 FR 69434; 69 FR 52741; 69 FR 64806; 69 FR 64810; 70 FR 2705; 70 FR 74102; 71 FR 5105; 71 FR 19600; 71 FR 53489; 71 FR 63379; 71 FR 66217; 72 FR 1051; 72 FR 1056; 73 FR 11989; 73 FR 36955; 73 FR 51336; 73 FR 51689; 73 FR 63047; 73 FR 74565; 73 FR 75803; 73 FR 76439; 73 FR 78423; 74 FR 6209; 75 FR 13653; 75 FR 25919; 75 FR 36779; 75 FR 39729;

75 FR 52062; 75 FR 54958; 75 FR 64396; 75 FR 65057; 75 FR 69737; 75 FR 70078; 75 FR 72863; 75 FR 77949; 75 FR 79081; 75 FR 79083; 75 FR 79084; 76 FR 1499; 76 FR 2190; 76 FR 4413; 77 FR 17107; 77 FR 38384; 77 FR 40946; 77 FR 52389; 77 FR 64582; 77 FR 68200; 77 FR 68202; 77 FR 70537; 77 FR 74273; 77 FR 74733; 77 FR 74734; 77 FR 75496; 78 FR 797; 79 FR 18391; 79 FR 35218; 79 FR 38659; 79 FR 46300; 79 FR 51643; 79 FR 53514; 79 FR 56104; 79 FR 59357; 79 FR 64001; 79 FR 65759; 79 FR 65760; 79 FR 69985; 79 FR 72756; 79 FR 73397; 79 FR 73686; 79 FR 73687; 79 FR 74169; 80 FR 603; 80 FR 3305; 80 FR 8927; 80 FR 9304; 81 FR 70248; 81 FR 72664; 81 FR 80161; 81 FR 81230; 81 FR 86063; 81 FR 90046; 81 FR 94013; 81 FR 96165; 81 FR 96180; 82 FR 12683; 82 FR 13048):

Kurtis A. Anderson (SD)
Terry L. Anderson (PA)
Ricky J. Childress (AL)
Bryan K. DeBorde (WA)
Roger P. Dittrich (IL)
Craig E. Dorrance (MT)
David L. Dykman (ID)
Ricky L. Gillum (KY)
Johnny J. Gowdy (MS)
Harold J. Haier (NY)
Ronald Holshouser (MO)
Timothy L. Kelly (TX)
Lewis A. Kielhack (IL)
John N. Lanning (CA)
Bruce T. Loughary (AR)
Samson B. Margison (OH)
Joe A. McIlroy (NY)
Charles J. Morman (FL)
Timothy W. Nappier (MI)
David J. Nocton (MN)
Edward P. Paloskey (PA)
Monte L. Purciful (IN)
Kevin L. Quastad (IA)
Antonio Rivera (PA)
Carl W. Russell (OK)
Randal C. Schmude (WI)
Ronald B. Shafer (MI)
Ranjodh Singh (CA)
James D. St. Peter (NC)
Lee F. Taylor (NJ)
David J. Triplett (KY)
David L. Von Hagen (IA)

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA–1998–3637; FMCSA–2000–7006; FMCSA–2001–10578; FMCSA–2004–19477; FMCSA–2005–23238; FMCSA–2006–26066; FMCSA–2008–0266; FMCSA–2008–0340; FMCSA–2010–0082; FMCSA–2010–0201; FMCSA–2010–0287; FMCSA–2010–0327; FMCSA–2010–0354; FMCSA–2014–0007; FMCSA–2014–0010; FMCSA–2014–0298; FMCSA–2014–0299; FMCSA–2016–0207; FMCSA–2016–0210; FMCSA–2016–0212. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 5, 2019, and will expire on February 5, 2021.

As of February 7, 2019, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, Thomas J. Boss (IL) has satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (67 FR 68719; 68 FR 2629; 69 FR 71100; 72 FR 1054; 74 FR 980; 76 FR 4414; 78 FR 798; 80 FR 5615; 82 FR 13048).

The driver was included in docket number FMCSA–2002–12844. The exemption is applicable as of February 7, 2019, and will expire on February 7, 2021.

As of February 11, 2019, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following two individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (77 FR 70534; 78 FR 9772; 80 FR 3308; 82 FR 13048):

Douglas Eamens (NY);
Johnie Reed (VA)

The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2012–0337. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 11, 2019, and will expire on February 11, 2021.

As of February 18, 2019, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following ten individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (80 FR 2473; 80 FR 18693; 82 FR 13048):

David C. Berger (PA)
Kenneth Dionisi (MI)
Keith A. Looney (AR)
Raymond L. Bradshaw (TX)
Wolfgang K. Faulkingham (ME)
Van C. Mac (IL)
Jeffrey L. Coachman (NY)
Jackie Lee (FL)
Luis Ramos (FL)
Vantha Yeam (PA)

The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2014–0300. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 18, 2019, and will expire on February 18, 2021.

As of February 25, 2019, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following seven individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (67 FR 54525; 68 FR 8794; 69 FR 64806; 70 FR 2705; 70 FR 8659; 72 FR 1056; 72 FR 5489; 73 FR 51689; 73 FR 63047; 73 FR 76439; 74 FR 6207; 75 FR 77942; 75 FR 79083; 75 FR 79084; 76 FR 5425; 76 FR 8809; 77 FR 23799; 77 FR 33558; 77 FR 75496; 78 FR 1919; 78 FR 12813; 78 FR 12817; 80 FR 3723; 82 FR 13048):

Lester W. Carter (CA)
Jerry W. Parker (OH)
Cameron R. Whitford (NY)
Dennis E. Fisher (NY)
Gary W. Phelps (PA)
Dennis R. O'Dell, Jr. (OK)
Charles D. Reddick (GA)

The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2002–12432; FMCSA–2004–19477; FMCSA–2008–0266; FMCSA–2010–0385; FMCSA–2012–0040; FMCSA–2012–0339. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 25, 2019, and will expire on February 25, 2021.

Conditions and Requirements

The exemptions are extended subject to the following conditions: (1) Each driver must undergo an annual physical examination (a) by an ophthalmologist or optometrist who attests that the vision in the better eye continues to meet the requirements in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), and (b) by a certified Medical Examiner, as defined by 49 CFR 390.5, who attests that the driver is otherwise physically qualified under 49 CFR 391.41; (2) each driver must provide a copy of the ophthalmologist's or optometrist's report to the Medical Examiner at the time of the annual medical examination; and (3) each driver must provide a copy of the annual medical certification to the employer for retention in the driver's qualification file or keep a copy of his/her driver's qualification if he/her is self-employed. The driver must also have a copy of the exemption when driving, for presentation to a duly authorized Federal, State, or local enforcement official. The exemption will be rescinded 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(e) and 31315.

V. Preemption

During the period the exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with this exemption with respect to a person operating under the exemption.

VI. Conclusion

Based upon its evaluation of the 52 exemption applications, FMCSA renews the exemptions of the aforementioned drivers from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), subject to the requirements cited above. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each

exemption will be valid for two years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA.

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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-2018-0333]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Revision of a Currently-Approved Information Collection: Motor Carrier Identification Report

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (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. FMCSA requests approval to revise an ICR titled, "Motor Carrier Identification Report," which is used to identify FMCSA regulated entities, help prioritize the agency's activities, aid in assessing the safety outcomes of those activities, and for statistical purposes. This ICR is being revised due to a final rule dated January 17, 2017, titled, "Unified Registration System; Suspension of Effectiveness," effective January 14, 2017, which suspended its regulations requiring existing interstate motor carriers, freight forwarders, brokers, intermodal equipment providers (IEPs), hazardous materials safety permit (HMSP) applicants, and cargo tank facilities under FMCSA jurisdiction to submit required registration and biennial update information to the Agency via a new electronic on-line Unified Registration System (URS). During this suspension, entities needing to file will follow the same procedures and forms used to submit information to FMCSA as they did prior to January 14, 2017, including use of Form MCS-150 or MCS-150B. The Form MCS-150 or MCS-150B will also be used by the small number of Mexico-domiciled motor carriers that seek authority to operate beyond the United States municipalities on the United States-Mexico border and their commercial zones.

This ICR is necessary to ensure regulated entities are registered with the DOT.

DATES: We must receive your comments on or before April 8, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2018-0333 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Operations; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: All submissions must include the Agency name and docket number. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the Public Participation heading below. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets, or go to the street address listed above.

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.

Public Participation: The Federal eRulemaking Portal is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. You can obtain electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines under the "help" section of the Federal eRulemaking Portal website. If you want us to notify you that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard, or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments online. Comments received after the comment closing date will be included in the docket and will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeffrey Secrist, Office of Registration and Safety Information, Department of Transportation, FMCSA, West Building 6th Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-385-2367; email Jeffrey.secris@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Title 49, United States Code Section 504(b)(2) provides the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) with authority to require carriers, lessors, associations, or classes of these entities to file annual, periodic, and special reports containing answers to questions asked by the Secretary. The Secretary may also prescribe the form of records required to be prepared or compiled and the time period during which records must be preserved (See § 504(b)(1) and (d)). FMCSA will use this data to administer its safety programs using a database of entities that are subject to its regulations. This database necessitates that these entities notify FMCSA of their existence. For example, under 49 CFR 390.19(a), FMCSA requires all motor carriers beginning operations to file a Form MCS-150 titled, "Motor Carrier Identification Report," or MCS-150B titled, "Combined Motor Carrier Identification Report and HM Permit Applications." This report is filed by all motor carriers conducting operations in interstate, intrastate transporting hazardous materials or international commerce before beginning operations. It asks the respondent to provide the name of the business entity that owns and controls the motor carrier operation; address and telephone of principal place of business; assigned identification number(s), type of operation, types of cargo usually transported; number of vehicles owned, term leased and trip leased; driver information; and certification statement signed by an individual authorized to sign documents on behalf of the business entity.

Section 350 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002, Public Law 107-87, 115 Stat. 833, 864-866 (December 18, 2001) (49 U.S.C. 13902 note), directed the Agency to issue an interim final rule (IFR) to ensure that new entrant motor carriers are knowledgeable about the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) and standards. On August 28, 2002, the Agency published an IFR titled, "Registration Enforcement" (67 FR 31978).

Existing applicants will use the MCS-150 or MCS-150B to update their