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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeff Secrist, Office of Registration and Safety Information, Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, West Building 6th Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Telephone: 202-385-2367; email [jeff.secrist@dot.gov](mailto:jeff.secrist@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 section 504(b) (1) and (d)). The FMCSA will use this data to administer its safety programs by establishing a database of entities that are subject to its regulations. This database necessitates that these entities notify the 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 entitled, Motor Carrier Identification Report. This report is filed by all motor carriers conducting operations in interstate 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.

The Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2002, Public Law 107-87, 115 Stat. 833, dated December 18, 2001 (see Attachment B), 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 May 13, 2002, the agency published an IFR entitled, "New Entrant Safety Assurance Process" (67 FR 31978).

On August 23, 2013, the agency published a Final Rule titled, "Unified Registration System," (URS) which requires interstate motor carriers, freight forwarders, brokers, intermodal equipment providers, hazardous materials safety permit applicants, and cargo tank facilities to file for registration via a new online Form MCSA-1. The Form MCSA-1 will replace the existing Forms MCS-150B and MCS-150C in this ICR. However, the Form MCS-150 will be retained for the small number of Mexico-domiciled carriers that seek authority to operate beyond the United States municipalities on the United States-Mexico border and their commercial zones because they are not included within the scope of the URS Final Rule. This revised ICR captures the burden on the Mexico-domiciled carriers that will continue to use Form MCS-150 after implementation of the URS Final Rule effective October, 23 2015.

*Title:* Motor Carrier Identification Report.

*OMB Control Number:* 2126-0013.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently-approved information collection.

*Respondents:* Mexico domiciled motor carriers and commercial motor vehicle drivers.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15,291.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 20 minutes for new filings and 7.5 minutes for biennial updates and changes to complete the Form MCS-150.

*Expiration Date:* December 31, 2015.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion and biennially.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 386 hours [(396 new filings × 20 minutes ÷ 60 minutes) + (2,030 biennial updates and changes × 7.5 minutes ÷ 60 minutes)].

*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 performance of FMCSA's 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 information collected. The Agency will summarize or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this ICR.

Issued under the authority of 49 CFR 1.87 on: August 14, 2015.

**G. Kelly Regal,**

*Associate Administrator for Office of Research and Information Technology.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration**

**[Docket No. FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0140]**

**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 the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 9 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 exemption renewals will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

**DATES:** This decision is effective September 7, 2015. Comments must be received on or before September 21, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) numbers: Docket No. [Docket No. FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0140], using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line 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 or Courier:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

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

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Charles A. Horan, III, Director, Carrier, Driver and Vehicle Safety Standards, 202-366-4001, [fmcsamedical@dot.gov](mailto: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.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may renew an exemption from the vision requirements in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), which applies to drivers of CMVs in interstate commerce, for a two-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 procedures for requesting an exemption (including renewals) are set out in 49 CFR part 381.

**II. Exemption Decision**

This notice addresses 9 individuals who have requested renewal of their exemptions in accordance with FMCSA procedures. FMCSA has evaluated these 9 applications for renewal on their

merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period. They are:

Charles E. Carter (MI), James A. Ellis (NY), Michael R. Gartin (OH), Dale L. Giardine (PA), Richard A. McGuire (KY), Dennis L. Morgan (WA), Peter M. Shirk (PA), Thomas C. Stromwall (MN), Joseph A. Wells (IL).

The exemptions are extended subject to the following conditions: (1) That each individual has a physical examination every year (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 medical examiner who attests that the individual is otherwise physically qualified under 49 CFR 391.41; (2) that each individual provides a copy of the ophthalmologist's or optometrist's report to the medical examiner at the time of the annual medical examination; and (3) that each individual provide a copy of the annual medical certification to the employer for retention in the driver's qualification file and retains a copy of the certification on his/her person while driving for presentation to a duly authorized Federal, State, or local enforcement official. Each exemption will be valid for two years unless rescinded earlier by FMCSA. 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.

**III. Basis for Renewing Exemptions**

Under 49 U.S.C. 31315(b)(1), an exemption may be granted for no longer than two years from its approval date and may be renewed upon application for additional two year periods. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each of the 9 applicants has satisfied the entry conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirements (76 FR 34136; 76 FR 37169; 76 FR 50318; 76 FR 55463; 78 FR 78477). Each of these 9 applicants has requested renewal of the exemption and has 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.

**IV. Public Participation and Request for Comments**

FMCSA encourages you to participate by submitting comments and related materials.

*Submitting Comments*

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0140), 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 the Agency can contact you if it has questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and put the docket number, "FMCSA-2011-0124; FMCSA-2011-0140" in the "Keyword" box, and click "Search." When the new screen appears, click on "Comment Now!" button and type your comment into the text box in 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 and may change this notice based on your comments.

*Viewing Comments and Documents*

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Issued on: August 3, 2015.

Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2008-0231; FMCSA-2001-9561; FMCSA-2005-21254; FMCSA-2011-0024; FMCSA-2011-0092; FMCSA-2011-0140; FMCSA-2011-0141; FMCSA-2013-0025; FMCSA-2013-0026; FMCSA-2013-0027; FMCSA-2013-0029; FMCSA-2013-0030]

### 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 the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 20 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 exemption renewals will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

**DATES:** This decision is effective September 6, 2015. Comments must be received on or before September 21, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) numbers: Docket No. [Docket No. FMCSA-2008-0231; FMCSA-2001-9561; FMCSA-2005-21254; FMCSA-2011-0024; FMCSA-2011-0092; FMCSA-2011-0140; FMCSA-2011-0141; FMCSA-2013-0025; FMCSA-2013-0026; FMCSA-2013-0027; FMCSA-2013-0029; FMCSA-2013-0030], using any of the following methods:

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#### II. Exemption Decision

This notice addresses 20 individuals who have requested renewal of their exemptions in accordance with FMCSA procedures. FMCSA has evaluated these 20 applications for renewal on their merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period. They are:

Rickie L. Boone (NC), Juan R. Cano (TX), Daniel G. Cohen (VT), Kenneth D. Daniels (PA), Donnie H. Eagle (WV), Saul E. Fierro (AZ), Robert Fox (NY), Steven G. Garrett (CA), Eric M. Grayson (KY), Michael A. Kelly (TX), Michael G. McGee (CA), Dionicio Mendoza (TX), Brian P. Millard (SC), James A. Parker (PA), Nathan Pettis (FL), Louis A. Requena (NY), Thomas L. Swatley (TN), Lee T. Taylor (FL), Michael J. Thane (OH), Paul B. Williams (NY).

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