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., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(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 http://www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at http://www.dot.gov/privacy.

II. Background

On February 15, 2018, FMCSA published a notice announcing its decision to renew exemptions for 64 individuals from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) to operate a CMV in interstate commerce and requested comments from the public (83 FR 6925). The public comment period ended on March 19, 2018, and no comments were received.

As stated in the previous notice, FMCSA has evaluated the eligibility of these applicants and determined that renewing these exemptions would achieve a level of safety equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved by complying with the current regulation 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10).

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.

III. Discussion of Comments

FMCSA received no comments in this preceding.

IV. Conclusion

Based upon its evaluation of the 64 renewal exemption applications and comments received, FMCSA confirms its’ decision to exempt the following 64 drivers from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10):

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 9, 2018, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following 55 individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (64 FR 40404; 64 FR 66962; 66 FR 66969; 68 FR 37197; 68 FR 52811; 68 FR 61860; 68 FR 69432; 70 FR 48297; 70 FR 57353; 70 FR 61165; 70 FR 61493; 70 FR 71884; 70 FR 72689; 71 FR 644; 71 FR 4632; 72 FR 8417; 72 FR 36099; 72 FR 39879; 72 FR 52419; 72 FR 54971; 72 FR 58362; 72 FR 62897; 72 FR 64273; 72 FR 67340; 72 FR 67344; 72 FR 71995; 73 FR 1395; 73 FR 6246; 74 FR 32795; 74 FR 48343; 74 FR 49069; 74 FR 53581; 74 FR 57553; 74 FR 60021; 74 FR 60022; 74 FR 62632; 74 FR 65845; 74 FR 65847; 74 FR 1450; 75 FR 4623; 76 FR 37169; 76 FR 50318; 76 FR 62143; 76 FR 64171; 76 FR 70210; 76 FR 70219; 76 FR 70215; 76 FR 75940; 76 FR 78728; 76 FR 79760; 77 FR 541; 77 FR 543; 77 FR 545; 77 FR 3554; 78 FR 27281; 78 FR 34143; 78 FR 41188; 78 FR 47818; 78 FR 52602; 78 FR 62935; 78 FR 63302; 78 FR 63307; 78 FR 64271; 78 FR 64274; 78 FR 66099; 78 FR 67454; 78 FR 67460; 78 FR 68137; 78 FR 74223; 78 FR 76395; 78 FR 76704; 78 FR 76705; 78 FR 76707; 78 FR 77778; 78 FR 77780; 78 FR 77782; 78 FR 78475; 78 FR 78477; 79 FR 2748; 79 FR 3919; 79 FR 4803; 79 FR 53708; 80 FR 14223; 80 FR 33007; 80 FR 33011; 80 FR 40122; 80 FR 49302; 80 FR 50915; 80 FR 59225; 80 FR 59230; 80 FR 62163; 80 FR 63809; 80 FR 63869; 80 FR 67472; 80 FR 67476; 80 FR 67481; 80 FR 70060; 80 FR 76345; 80 FR 80443; 81 FR 1284; 81 FR 11642; 81 FR 15401; 81 FR 15404; 81 FR 16265; 81 FR 60117:

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Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Diabetes Mellitus

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

ACTION: Notice of applications for exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 53 individuals for an exemption from the prohibition in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) against persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) operating a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) in interstate commerce. If granted, the exemptions would enable these individuals with ITDM to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 28, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket No. FMCSA–2018–0026 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.

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• Fax: 1–202–493–2251.

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Cameron S. McMillen (NM)
David L. Menken (NY)
Gregory G. Miller (OH)
Rashawn L. Morris (VA)
Charles D. Oestreich (MN)
Carols A. Osolio (NM)
Robert L. Pearson (GA)
Robert M. Pickett, II (MI)
Johnny L. Powell (MD)
Branden J. Ramos (CA)
Andres Regalado (CA)
Theron D. Ridley (TX)
Christopher M. Rivera (NM)
Richard S. Robb (NM)
Angelo D. Rogers (AL)
David J. Rothermal (RI)
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The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2015–0347. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 12, 2018, and will expire on February 12, 2020.

As of February 22, 2018, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following six individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (81 FR 1474; 81 FR 48493):

- James J. Slemmer (PA)
- John T. Thor (MN)
- David J. Rothermal (RI)
- Sonny Scott (OH)
- Rashawn L. Morris (VA)
- Dennis L. Maxcy (NY)

- Charles D. Oestreich (MN)
- Richard S. Robb (NM)
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The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2011–0325. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 22, 2018, and will expire on February 22, 2020.

As of February 27, 2018, 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 539; 77 FR 10608; 79 FR 6993; 81 FR 15401):

- Brian K. Cline (NC)
- Mickey Lawson (NC)

The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2013–0174. Their exemptions are applicable as of February 27, 2018, and will expire on February 27, 2020.

As of February 27, 2018, 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 (79 FR 1908; 79 FR 14333; 81 FR 15401):

- Michelle H. Jankowski (CA)
- Danielle Wilkins (CA)

The driver was included in docket number FMCSA–2013–0174. The exemption is applicable as of February 27, 2018, and will expire on February 27, 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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