

grant categories (discretionary, formula, block, and entitlement). The FMCSA began utilizing GS for all of its grant programs in fiscal year FY 2011 and has awarded grants through the system since that time. All applicants who apply for FMCSA grants must submit their applications electronically through Grants.gov which are then transmitted to GS. All FMCSA grant awards made prior to FY 2011 were completed using a legacy paper-based process.

Title: Motor Carrier Safety Grants Programs (formerly Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP)).

OMB Control Number: 2126-0010.

Type of Request: Reinstatement of an information collection request.

Respondents: FMCSA Grant Recipients.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,436.

Estimated Time per Response: Grant application preparation: 80 hours each; quarterly report preparation: 8 hours each; and inspection and data upload: 1 minute each.

Expiration Date: February 28, 2014.

Frequency of Response: Grant application: 1 annually; quarterly reports: 8 annually; and inspection and data upload: about 3.4 million annually.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 15,804 hours. The methods used to calculate the hours necessary to prepare grant applications, upload data, and prepare quarterly reports are based on interviews with the State and Federal personnel charged with those responsibilities. The information required to prepare the applications for grants and the subsequent reports is based on general information ordinarily maintained by the States in the general course of business, and only simple computations are required to determine burden hours. The grant applications and reports are submitted by the 50 States, four Territories, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia. Each entity submits one grant request per year and four quarterly reports. About 3.4 million inspection reports are uploaded each year.

The figures reflect only 20 percent of the total estimated hours to perform the activities, since MCSAP reimburses 80 percent of the eligible costs incurred in the administration of an approved plan as set forth in 49 CFR 350.303, 350.309 and 350.311. Labor hours are estimated and an average hourly rate for professional personnel is applied. The four territories of American Samoa, Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands are funded at 100 percent; therefore they are not included in the computation of burden.

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 collected information. The agency will summarize or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Issued under the authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87 on: March 7, 2014.

G. Kelly Leone,

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-2013- 0443]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders

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

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

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 13 individuals for an exemption from the prohibition against persons with a clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause a loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) from operating CMVs in interstate commerce. The regulation and the associated advisory criteria published in the Code of Federal Regulations as the "Instructions for Performing and Recording Physical Examinations" have resulted in numerous drivers being prohibited from operating CMVs in interstate commerce based on the fact that they have had one or more seizures and are taking anti-seizure medication, rather than an individual analysis of their circumstances by a qualified medical examiner. If granted, the exemptions would enable these individuals who have had one or more seizures and are taking anti-seizure medication to operate CMVs for 2 years in interstate commerce.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 21, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket ID FMCSA-2013-0443 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:** 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: Elaine Papp, Chief, Medical Programs Division, (202) 366-4001, or via email at fmcsamedical@dot.gov, or by letter FMCSA, Room W64-113, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-

0001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31315 and 31136(e), 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 statutes also allow the Agency to renew exemptions at the end of the 2-year period. The 13 individuals listed in this notice have recently requested an exemption from the epilepsy prohibition in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(8), which applies to drivers who operate CMVs as defined in 49 CFR 390.5, in interstate commerce. Section 391.41(b)(8) states that a person is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle if that person has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause the loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a CMV.

FMCSA provides medical advisory criteria for use by medical examiners in determining whether drivers with certain medical conditions should be certified to operate CMVs in intrastate commerce. The advisory criteria indicate that if an individual has had a sudden episode of a non-epileptic seizure or loss of consciousness of unknown cause which did not require anti-seizure medication, the decision whether that person's condition is likely to cause the loss of consciousness or loss of ability to control a CMV should be made on an individual basis by the medical examiner in consultation with the treating physician. Before certification is considered, it is suggested that a 6-month waiting period elapse from the time of the episode. Following the waiting period, it is suggested that the individual have a complete neurological examination. If the results of the examination are negative and anti-seizure medication is not required, then the driver may be qualified.

In those individual cases where a driver had a seizure or an episode of loss of consciousness that resulted from a known medical condition (e.g., drug reaction, high temperature, acute infectious disease, dehydration, or acute metabolic disturbance), certification should be deferred until the driver has fully recovered from that condition, has no existing residual complications, and is not taking anti-seizure medication. Drivers who have a history of epilepsy/seizures, off anti-seizure medication and

seizure-free for 10 years, may be qualified to operate a CMV in interstate commerce. Interstate drivers with a history of a single unprovoked seizure may be qualified to drive a CMV in interstate commerce if seizure-free and off anti-seizure medication for a 5-year period or more.

Submitting Comments

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> and in the search box insert the docket number "FMCSA-2013-0443" and click the search button. When the new screen appears, click on the blue "Comment Now!" button on the right hand side of the page. On the new page, enter information required including the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. 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. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change this proposed rule based on your comments. FMCSA may issue a final rule at any time after the close of the comment period.

Viewing Comments and Documents

To view comments, as well as any documents mentioned in this preamble, To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and in the search box insert the docket number "FMCSA-2013-0443" and click "Search." Next, click "Open Docket Folder" and you will find all documents and comments related to the proposed rulemaking.

Summary of Applications

Thomas Bynum

Mr. Bynum is a 61 year-old class A CDL holder in North Carolina. He does not have a history of seizure. He takes anti-seizure medication since his surgery 35 years ago with the dosage and frequency remaining the same since that time. If granted the exemption, he

would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Bynum receiving an exemption.

Brian Conaway

Mr. Conaway is a 42 year-old class B CDL holder in Ohio. He has a history of seizures and has remained seizure free and off anti-seizure medication since his surgery 1999. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Conaway receiving an exemption.

Joan Diaz

Ms. Diaz is a 49 year-old class B CDL holder in Maryland. She has a history of seizure disorder and has remained seizure free for 32 years. She takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for over 3 years. If granted the exemption, she would like to drive a school bus. Her physician states that he is supportive of Ms. Diaz receiving an exemption.

Christopher Fitch

Mr. Fitch is a 51 year-old class B CDL holder in New York. He has a history of seizures and his last seizure was one year ago while in the hospital. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for over 2 years. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Fitch receiving an exemption.

Ronald Hartl

Mr. Hartl is a 55 year old driver in Wisconsin. He has a history of epilepsy and has remained seizure free for 35 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for over 10 years. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Hartl receiving an exemption.

Donald Hernandez

Mr. Hernandez is a 40 year-old driver in California. He has a history of seizure disorder and has remained seizure free for 14 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for over 2 years. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Hernandez receiving an exemption.

Craig Hoisington

Mr. Hoisington is a 41 year-old driver in New Hampshire. He has a history of epilepsy and has remained seizure free for 10 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for over

2 years. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Hoisington receiving an exemption.

Earnest Lansberry

Mr. Lansberry is a 62 year-old driver in Pennsylvania. He has a history of seizure disorder and has remained seizure free for 7 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same since that time. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Lansberry receiving an exemption.

Michael Miller

Mr. Miller is a 56 year-old driver in Wisconsin. He has a history of epilepsy and has remained seizure free seizure for 11 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same since that time. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Miller receiving an exemption.

Scott Smith

Mr. Smith is a 39 year-old driver in California. He has a history of seizure and has remained seizure free for 12 years. He discontinued his anti-seizure medication 18 months ago. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician is supportive of Mr. Smith receiving an exemption.

Peter Thompson

Mr. Thompson is a 21 year-old driver in Florida. He has a history of seizures and has remained seizure free for over 10 years. He discontinued his anti-seizure medication 8 years ago. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Thompson receiving an exemption.

Nathaniel Ware

Mr. Ware is a 33 year-old driver in Alabama. He has a history of seizures and has remained seizure free for 4 years. He takes anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for 2 years. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Ware receiving an exemption.

Jason Yowell

Mr. Yowell is a 42 year-old driver in Virginia. He has a history of seizures and has remained seizure free for 4 years. He discontinued his anti-seizure medication 10 months ago. If granted the exemption, he would like to drive a

CMV. His physician states that he is supportive of Mr. Yowell receiving an exemption.

Request for Comments

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315 and 31136(e), FMCSA requests public comment from all interested persons on the exemption applications described in this notice. We will consider all comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated earlier in the notice.

Issued on: March 7, 2014.

Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2011-0378]

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 8 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 April 17, 2014. Comments must be received on or before April 21, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) numbers: Docket No. [Docket No. FMCSA-2011-0378], 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.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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