

The USDOT, prior to undertaking this effort, wishes to engage in a dialogue and canvass the opinion of interested parties—including, among others, public project sponsors, and their consultants, advisers, and attorneys; private sector designers, builders, operators, contractors and other engineering and construction firms; banks, lenders, funds, and other financing institutions involved in P3s; unions and their representatives; concessionaires and other organizations involved in project development; and members of the general public. Interested parties are asked to provide comments to the docket regarding the development and use of the standard public-private partnerships transaction model contracts mentioned above in the legislation. Interested parties are also invited to provide input at a Listening Session at USDOT Headquarters in Washington, DC, on January 16, 2013.

Listening Session

The Listening Session will be 4 hours in length and will be structured around the legislative requirements of Section 1534(d) specified above. Some of the topics that may be considered at this listening session include:

(a) The design of the model contract template (for example, should it provide options or recommendations?);

(b) The scope of the model contract (for example, should it include public protections?);

(c) The specific provisions included in the model contract (for example, which public protections should be addressed?); and

(d) The model contracts that should be delivered first (for example, should the initial set of templates include P3 availability payment concessions for managed lanes?).

Listening Session Information

Email comments can be provided to the docket at www.regulations.gov.

The Listening Session will be held on January 16, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., e.t., at the U.S. Department of Transportation building at 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590. Because access to the DOT building is controlled, all visitors must sign in with the security staff at the West Building entrance, present valid picture identification, be escorted and wear a visitor's badge at all times while in the building.

Due to security procedures and space limitations, individuals who wish to attend the listening session must pre-register online by 5:00 p.m., e.t., on January 14, 2013, to gain admittance to the building. Space is limited to the first

250 registrants. The link for the registration is: <http://152.122.41.186/registration/p3listening.aspx>. Anyone with difficulties registering should contact Terrance Regan, at this telephone number: (617) 494-3628.

Attendees are encouraged to arrive early for processing through security. All participants and attendees must enter through the New Jersey Avenue entrance (West Building—at the corner of New Jersey Avenue and M Street SE.). Photo identification is required and Foreign National attendees must bring their passports with them. Participants or attendees who have Federal government identification will still need to register to attend. To facilitate security screening, all participants and attendees are encouraged to limit the bags and other items (laptops, cameras, etc.) they bring into the building. Anyone exiting the building for any reason will be required to re-enter through the security checkpoint at the New Jersey Avenue entrance.

The DOT does not offer visitor parking; we suggest that attendees consider using alternative means of transportation to the building. DOT Headquarters is served by Metrorail (Navy Yard station), Metrobus, DC Circulator, and taxi service. There are a number of private parking lots near the DOT buildings, but the DOT cannot guarantee the availability of parking spaces.

For information on facilities or services for persons with disabilities, or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Prabhat Dikshit (720) 963-3202 as soon as possible.

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Victor M. Mendez,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

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

ACTION: Notice of Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: The meeting will be held on January 14, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time.

PLACE: This meeting will take place at the Hyatt French Quarter; 800 Iberville Street, New Orleans, LA 70112.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement and to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827-4565.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2012-0339]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

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

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

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 14 individuals for exemption from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. 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. If granted, the exemptions would enable these individuals to qualify as drivers of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 8, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket No. FMCSA-2012-0339 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