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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–2015–0349]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

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

ACTION: Notice of denials.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its denial of 345 applications from individuals who requested an exemption from the Federal vision standard applicable to interstate truck and bus drivers and the reasons for the denials. 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 exemptions does not provide a level of safety that will be equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may grant an exemption from the Federal vision standard for a renewable 2-year period if it finds “such an exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved absent such an exemption.” The procedures for requesting an exemption are set forth in 49 CFR part 381.

Accordingly, FMCSA evaluated 345 individual exemption requests on their merit and made a determination that these applicants do not satisfy the criteria eligibility or meet the terms and conditions of the Federal exemption program. Each applicant has, prior to this notice, received a letter of final disposition on the exemption request. Those decision letters fully outlined the basis for the denial and constitute final Agency action. The list published in this notice summarizes the Agency’s recent denials as required under 49 U.S.C. 31315(b)(4) by periodically publishing names and reasons for denial.

The following 4 applicants did not have sufficient driving experience over the past 3 years under normal highway operating conditions:

Allan V. Jorgensen
Timothy M. O’Malley
James S. Phipps
David J. Varricchione

The following 82 applicants had no experience operating a CMV:

Wesley D. Adkins
Coral Aguirre
Mark J. Alden
Mazin M. J. Alrawe
Eric J. Andersen
Abram J. Apodaca
Antwanne L. Ash
Stanley L. Ayers
Nash Barno
Savanna S. Bednar
Daryl D. Beshirs
Carola Buehler
Phillip A. Carleton
Rogelio Chacon
Patchara Chiochankitmun
Regino J. Cisneros Perez
Christopher W. Cochran
Ronnie P. Cook
Matthew B. Dallachie
Daniel E. Delano
Jack H. Dependahl
Shelia F. Dixon
Lauren A. Dotterweich

Frank Eardley
Jose E. Echegaray Hernandez
Jeanne C. Emmons
Michael C. Gacki, Jr.
Houssein M. Gale
Travis L. Gibbs
William M. Godzisz
Jose A. Gonzalez Morin
Scott R. Graves
Luke J. Harding
David R. Hazen
Mahmoud K. Hiima
Eric M. Holloway
Mark E. Irsik
Edison Joe
Craig A. Johnson
Jennifer L. King
Oleg Kovalev
Mollie O. Krablin
John P. Kuchta
Brian N. LaRose
James R. Lockard
Michael E. Malloy
Jacob D. Miller
Rodney Mitchell
Brian T. Murphy
Steven K. Mynhier, Sr.
Craig A. Nass
Nathan R. Pawloski
Bobby Phongsavanh
Albert L. Prather, Jr.
Ashley D. Pulkka
Joshua E. Richardson
Irfan A. Ridha
Ammon D. Roe
Larry E. Rohloff
Roberto Ruiz
Fred A. Scott, Jr.
Mulmin J. Sellars
Shawn R. Sexton
Joseph L. Smid
Arthur C. Smith
Jermaine E. Smith
Geoffrey K. Snelling
Shane P. Spellman
James L. Stevens
Casey J. Stover
Arnold Taci
Joshua T. Takacs
Shawn J. Tugwell
Tonya M. Turybury
Spooford Whitaker, Jr.
Jason A. Williams
Monique A. Williams
Thomas D. Williams
Carla M. Wright
Vernon R. Yocham
Richard W. Youngerman
Ahmo Zildzevic

The following 54 applicants did not have 3 years of experience driving a CMV on public highways with their vision deficiencies:

Brian D. Beaulieu
Anthony Britton
Edward M. Brooks
Ross A. Busby
Riley M. Crumley, Jr.

Joseph S. Eaglin
 Bryan W. Ellis
 Richard D. Erwin
 Jose J. Garcia
 Jesus A. Garza
 Jerry B. Gibson, Jr.
 Thomas W. Hall
 Joshua V. Harrison
 Michael J. Haubert
 David M. Iagolla
 Jacob T. Johnson
 Shane E. Johnson
 Todd E. Kelley
 Timothy W. Kinion
 Allen Kready
 Robert A. Kugler
 Daniel L. Landa
 W. Kratz Leatherman
 Miguel M. Levario
 Leslie Lewis
 Christopher N. Mahoney
 Raymundo Maldonado
 Robert A. Marcum
 Kyle E. Mason
 Leonard J. Mazur
 Richard L. McCance II
 Joshua J. McCue
 Robert L. McGowan
 Jamelle M. Moore
 Peter J. Neltner
 Glen L. Nichols
 Asiarea M. Pattman
 Lavern D. Penner
 James R. Preston
 Elbert J. Price
 Thomas W. Reddy
 Thomas L. Rodenborn
 Ronald B. Shank
 Daniel H. Smith
 George Smith
 Jeffrey Smith
 Jimmy D. Storms
 Melanie M. Tate
 Thomas L. Tomlin
 Oleksandr M. Trushyk
 Thomas G. Vowell
 Norman A. Williams
 Craig D. Wilson
 Josef A. Wysocki

The following 34 applicants did not have 3 years of recent experience driving a CMV with the vision deficiency:

Vilas R. Adank
 Joseph C. Anderson
 Michael D. Birch
 Wis P. Bordelon
 Dennis Boyce, Jr.
 Jeffrey Boyles
 Larry L. Brownlee
 Darren J. Burroughs
 Jason D. DeMaster
 Robert L. Eldred
 Shannon E. Harrison
 Jeffrey D. Johnson
 Charles D. Jones
 Daniel R. Kenning
 Peter A. Ludwig

Robert L. McKenzie
 Aurelio Medoza
 Richard W. Mullenix
 Robert S. Notoriano
 Michael M. Ousley
 David G. Oyer
 Quentin R. Palmer
 David W. Paradis
 Lawrence B. Reyes
 Diego R. Rodriguez
 Samuel L. Short
 Deneen Stilley
 Tom L. Stoltz
 James E. Stubblefield
 Cedric D. Tobias
 Dennis R. Trapp
 Jamal A. Vaughn
 Larry G. Wenger
 John M. Zaki

The following 17 applicants did not have sufficient driving experience during the past 3 years under normal highway operating conditions:

Grant D. Bolton
 Carl F. Cryer
 Wayne E. Egan
 Michael C. Farley
 Richard Filion
 Tim J. Funke
 Farhad Gholinejad
 Thomas E. Goodnight
 Nicholas Martinez
 Brandon J. Michalko
 Ralph A. Milliman
 William Pantoja Julia
 Alfred A. Polzine
 Douglas M. Potter
 Juan C. Ramirez
 Michael A. Thompson
 William M. Walk

The following 3 applicants were charged with moving violations in conjunction with CMV accidents:

Darrell R. Hammond
 David T. Miller
 Jacques W. Rainville

The following applicant, Lee R. Boykin, does not have sufficient peripheral vision in the better eye to qualify for an exemption.

The following 3 applicants had their commercial driver's licenses suspended during the previous 3-year period:

Reginald B. Baker
 Patrick J. Giles
 Joseph C. Lee

The following applicant, Paul E. Lawyer, did not have verifiable proof of CMV experience over the past 3 years under normal highway operating conditions that would serve as an adequate predictor of future safe performance.

The following 3 applicants contributed to an accident(s) while operating a CMV:
 David L. Martin
 Derrick A. Robinson

Joseph R. Spranger

The following applicant, Daniel L. Morris, did not have an optometrist or ophthalmologist willing to make a statement that they are able to operate a CMV from a vision standpoint.

The following 35 applicants were denied for multiple reasons:

Eric D. Armstrong
 Kenneth C. Arnold
 Richard D. Bailey
 Michael S. Barnhart
 Travis K. Bitker
 Tony A. Bowhall
 Michael W. Brown
 Anthony M. Demers
 Paul T. Fishburn, Jr.
 Thomas C. Fitzpatrick
 Maksym R. Fomin
 Darrell R. Fortner
 Gregory P. Grimes
 James D. Grisham
 Steven M. Heinsohn
 Robert J. Hemstrought
 Jacob E. Kuehne
 Gary L. Logel
 Richard D. McGuire
 Tyler J. Nelson
 Arnold G. Patchin
 Justin G. Rathert
 Antonio Reales
 Dimitre I. Rebreev
 Mark A. Sanders
 Glen R. Seipel
 Jerry A. Slotten
 John P. Smith
 Henry L. Stetler
 Richard B. Stopel
 Jeremy Trager
 Charles Walker
 Dwayne K. Webb
 Bryan F. Williams
 Mark Winnicki

The following applicant, Elijah A. Allen, Jr., provided false documentation during the application process.

The following 6 applicants did not have stable vision for the entire 3-year period:

Michael R. DeLille
 Jeffrey W. Hawkins
 Bethany A. Hayward
 William A. Koldys, Jr.
 Van C. Pruitt
 Dean C. Sump

The following 3 applicants do not meet the vision standard in the better eye:

Joseph Bahr
 David L. Denton
 Sean R. Frank, Jr.

The following 44 applicants met the current federal vision standards. Exemptions are not required for applicants who meet the current regulations for vision:
 Richard Alfau

Francis R. Anaya
Helene E. Armistad
Richard L. Austin
Melvin T. Ayer
Michael J. Baca
Richard A. Bassett
Merle G. Bernhardt
Richard C. Besk
Rodney S. Burnopp
Mauel Cobos
Edward L. Cox
Joshua P. Doucette
Kraig Fisher
Brian R. Fredrickson
Gregg A. Heinrich
Darrell E. Hunter
Brad L. Jeffrey
Randall Kaiser
Bradley A. Kensmoe
Richard D. Lindell
Jeffrey W. Lowe
Nathaniel Lowery
Nicholas Mattia
Lloyd S. McFerron
David R. Nolte
Juan Ogando
Haley J. O'Neal
Cody J. Osland
Robert H. Owen
Jorge Pedroza
Andrew B. Pfeifer
David D. Queckboerner
Garry A. Reynolds
Marvin R. Roetcisoender
Leo C. Royer
John J. Schaeftlein Jr.
Clifford L. Scheel
Joseph R. Sherman
Robert D. Short
Jerome J. Trombly
Leone D. Vargason
Robert Williams
Jack O. Yates

The following 2 applicants held medical cards valid for less than six months:

Abelardo J. Guterrez
Edward L. Russell

The following 3 applicants drove interstate while restricted to intrastate:

Thomas L. Pelletier
Mickey J. Spaulding
Douglas E. Weeks

The following 34 applicants will not be driving interstate, interstate commerce, or are not required to carry a DOT medical card:

Dwayne P. Arnac
Edward L. Arnold
Glen M. Asquith
Daniel A. Bahm
Edward J. Blaskovich
Philip L. Bradford
Scott Bradford
Richard L. Brandt
Anthony Brown
Lawrence E. Cercle

Maurice R. Davis, Jr.
Jeffery K. Dorlan
Charles J. Ehlert
Brett H. Friederichs
Luciano G. Garcia
Karla D. Holmes
Stephen D. Hunt
Alvin D. Hunter
Thomas M. Kaley, Jr.
Eugene A. Leffelman
Michael A. Mentzer
Robert B. Morris
Alexis O. Paulme
Jeffrey E. Pennington
Kenneth M. Pisano
Richard G. Roberts
Malcolm S. Rutherford
William A. Shaw
Clinton Starkey
James R. Stout
Clinton A. Swartz
Eduardo R. Wagner
Donald E. Wojtaszek
Theodore J. Wuebben

Finally, the following 14 applicants perform transportation for the federal government, state, or any political subdivision of the state.

Glenn C. Allen
Bradford M. Balint
Scott M. Boutwell
Bill J. Brookhart
James J. Cribbs
Gerald M. Garcia
Duane R. Greene
Billy D. Johnson
Darla J. Lloyd
Derek E. Madrigal
Dru V. Olson
Keith A. Smith
John L. Umland
Daniel R. Zimmerman

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Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary of Transportation

Notice of Funding Availability for the Small Business Transportation Resource Center Program

AGENCY: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), Office of the Secretary of Transportation. (OST), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability for the Southwest Region SBTRC.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of the Secretary (OST), Office of Small and

Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) announces the opportunity for; (1) business centered community-based organizations; (2) transportation-related trade associations; (3) colleges and universities; (4) community colleges or; (5) chambers of commerce, registered with the Internal Revenue Service as 501C(6) or 501C(3) tax-exempt organizations, to compete for participation in OSDBU's Small Business Transportation Resource Center (SBTRC) program in the Southwest Region (California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii).

OSDBU will enter into Cooperative Agreements with these organizations to provide outreach to the small business community in their designated region and provide financial and technical assistance, business training programs, business assessment, management training, counseling, marketing and outreach, and the dissemination of information, to encourage and assist small businesses to become better prepared to compete for, obtain, and manage DOT funded transportation-related contracts and subcontracts at the federal, state and local levels. Throughout this notice, the term "small business" will refer to: 8(a), small disadvantaged businesses (SDB), disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE), women owned small businesses (WOSB), HubZone, service disabled veteran owned businesses (SDVOB), and veteran owned small businesses (VOSB). Throughout this notice, "transportation-related" is defined as the maintenance, rehabilitation, restructuring, improvement, or revitalization of any of the nation's modes of transportation.

Funding Opportunity Number:

USDOT-OST-OSDBU/
SBTRCSOUTHWEST-2016-1.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 20.910 Assistance to Small and Disadvantaged Businesses.

Type of Award: Cooperative Agreement Grant.

Award Ceiling: \$160,000.

Award Floor: \$145,000.

Program Authority: DOT is authorized under 49 U.S.C. 332(b)(4), (5) & (7) to design and carry out programs to assist small disadvantaged businesses in getting transportation-related contracts and subcontracts; develop support mechanisms, including management and technical services, that will enable small disadvantaged businesses to take advantage of those business opportunities; and to make arrangements to carry out the above purposes.