

seizures as an infant. These seizures last only a few seconds, and he has not had any grand mal seizures. His last seizure was in April 2011. He has been on anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for 4 months. If granted the exemption, he would return to driving a school bus. His physician has released him to return to driving.

#### *Diana Mugford*

Ms. Mugford is a 44-year-old CDL driver in the state of Vermont. She was diagnosed with complex partial seizures and given anti-seizure medication. Her last seizure was in 2004. She continues to take anti-seizure medication with the dosage and frequency remaining the same for 8 years. She has remained seizure-free for 8 years. If granted the exemption, she would return to driving tractor trailer trucks in interstate commerce. Her physician endorses her receiving an exemption and states he feels "she would be among the safer drivers on the highway."

#### *James Wiggins*

Mr. Wiggins is a 57-year-old CMV driver in the state of Florida. Mr. Wiggins had a single seizure in March 2008 and was diagnosed with a brain tumor. He had the tumor removed in April 2008 and put on anti-seizure medication. He has been off of any anti-seizure medication for 3 years and has remained seizure free for 4 years. If granted the exemption, he would return to driving tractor trailer trucks.

#### **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: February 22, 2012.

#### **Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration**

[4910-EX-P]

#### **Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of denials.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces its denial of 115 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elaine M. Papp, Chief, Medical Programs Division, 202-366-4001, U.S. Department of Transportation, FMCSA, 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:**

##### **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 115 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.

One applicant, Donald Dickerson, lacked sufficient driving experience during the 3-year period prior to the date of his application.

The following 21 applicants had no experience operating a CMV:

Michael Meke-Eze  
David M. Krause  
Michael R. Morgan

Alexander D. Avery  
Alan J. Chmielews  
Kevie D. Clark  
Shatisha Y. Tharrinton  
Garn J. Hickam  
Mohamed Sannoh  
Daniel Ponce  
Amanda Upchurch  
David W. Cox  
Dean A. Saaränen  
David L. Stout  
Kasey L. Tanner  
James J. Perkins  
William N. Wheeler  
Glen Stryker  
Donald F. Evans  
Frank Ferrara  
Michael B. Timmins

The following 28 applicants did not have 3 years of experience driving a CMV on public highways with their vision deficiencies:

Russell Burden  
Norvan Brown  
Eddie R. Del Angel  
George E. Gross  
Wayne Figoid  
Darrell E. Graumann  
Heidi J. Morse  
Ian D. Holbin  
Boyd M. Kinzer, Jr.  
Michael Hamm  
Kenneth P. Nichols  
Nicholas E. Lemaster  
Terry Kenne  
Brandon R. Ferguson  
Dennis Yost  
Alex P. Makhanov  
Lonnie L. Tincher  
Jessie A. Tanner  
Gabirl A. Natale  
Martin C. Baschab  
Donald Hooper  
Gregory Chiropoulos  
Ronnie G. Lynn  
Malinda N. Parks  
Mark Smith  
Stephen C. Linardos  
Dani A. Alvarez  
Shawn L. Smith

The following 12 applicants did not have 3 years of recent experience driving a CMV with the vision deficiency:

Joshua H. Boatright  
Domingo V. Perez  
James F. Blush  
Dean L. Christenson  
George R. Boutin  
Eugene P. Fournier  
Rudolph J. McPhearson  
Saint Marc Louis  
Edgar Daye  
Anthony Bartel  
Ronald Bounds  
Paul L. Baker

The following 7 applicants did not have sufficient driving experience

during the past 3 years under normal highway operating conditions:

Steve Volden  
Alan D. Mohoric  
Victor Kitchen  
Michael E. Mellon  
Cesar Villa  
Larry Allen  
Terry Blair

The following 4 applicants had their commercial driver's license suspended during the 3-year review period for moving violations. Applicants do not qualify for an exemption with a suspension during the 3-year period:

William C. Pinson  
Wayne L. Green  
Stephen R. Marshall  
James A. Fassbender

The following 6 applicants were denied for miscellaneous/multiple reasons:

Paul Kissner, Jr.  
Nery Madera  
Richard Wilson  
David Traylor  
Lucio Nieves  
Dewey W. Justice

The following applicant, William J. Hoitsma, Jr., was denied because his vision was not stable for the entire 3-year period.

The following applicant, Kentucky J. Coby, was denied because he does not meet the vision standard in the better eye.

The following 9 applicants met the current federal vision standards. Exemptions are not required for applicants who meet the current regulations for vision:

Richard Kreye  
Virgil L. Adams  
Hamidullah Khan  
Victor Ramirez  
Dale Crumb  
Henry DeLaRosa  
David M. Taylor  
Dwight Hicks  
Robert H. White

The following 19 applicants were denied because they will not be driving interstate, interstate commerce, or not required to carry a DOT medical card:

Ronald Baker  
Lee H. Freeman, Jr.  
Ronald R. Detwiler  
Diana L. Bartlow  
Akbar Roohani  
Danny Michael Harris  
Richard Karbo  
Mark Birkins  
Marshall J. Desadier  
Jason Butcher  
Michael Layher  
James Troxler  
Sebastian G. Jachymiak

Joel G. Allard  
Donald D. Barnett, Jr.  
Brent A. Torrey  
Harold Johnson  
Thomas B. Bliven  
Tomas J. Ortega

Finally, the following 7 applicants perform transportation for the federal government, state, or any political subdivision of the state.

William M. Bugbee  
Albert E. Richan  
Gregory K. Moon  
Joseph Okolowski  
Gary S. Carrol  
Charlie C. Kimmel  
Julianne M. Kaeser

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**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD 2012 0019]

#### Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel ALEXIBELL; Invitation for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-built requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 30, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2012-0019. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An electronic version

of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joann Spittle, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W21-203, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-5979, Email [Joann.Spittle@dot.gov](mailto:Joann.Spittle@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel ALEXIBELL is:

*Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:* "Vessel will be used for private parties by reservation only (12 or less) in near coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico from Naples to Tampa Bay. Emphasis is on 4 hr cruises, dinner and sunset cruises."

*Geographic Region:* "Florida."

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2012-0019 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

#### Privacy Act

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: February 21, 2012.

**Julie P. Agarwal,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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