A. Viewing Documents and Comments

II. Background

On June 5, 2020, FMCSA published a notice announcing its decision to renew exemptions for 72 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 (85 FR 34719). The public comment period ended on July 6, 2020, and no comments were received.

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 § 391.41(b)(10).

The physical qualification standard for drivers regarding vision found in § 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 proceeding.

IV. Conclusion

Based on its evaluation of the 72 renewal exemption applications and comments received, FMCSA confirms its decision to exempt the following drivers from the vision requirement in § 391.41(b)(10).

As of July 8, 2020, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following 46 individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (64 FR 68195; 65 FR 20251; 67 FR 38311; 69 FR 17263; 69 FR 26921; 69 FR 31447; 70 FR 57353; 70 FR 72689; 71 FR 6862; 71 FR 14566; 71 FR 19602; 71 FR 27033; 71 FR 30227; 72 FR 39879; 72 FR 52419; 73 FR 6242; 73 FR 11989; 73 FR 15567; 73 FR 16952; 73 FR 27014; 73 FR 27015; 73 FR 28186; 74 FR 41971; 75 FR 9477; 75 FR 9480; 75 FR 13653; 75 FR 14656; 75 FR 19674; 75 FR 22176; 75 FR 27622; 75 FR 27623; 75 FR 28862; 76 FR 54530; 77 FR 5874; 77 FR 13689; 77 FR 15184; 77 FR 17107; 77 FR 17108; 77 FR 17117; 77 FR 23797; 77 FR 26816; 77 FR 27847; 78 FR 27850; 77 FR 29447; 78 FR 38386; 78 FR 34143; 78 FR 47781; 78 FR 52602; 78 FR 62935; 78 FR 63307; 78 FR 64271; 78 FR 64274; 78 FR 76395; 78 FR 77778; 78 FR 78477; 79 FR 1908; 79 FR 2748; 79 FR 10611; 79 FR 13085; 79 FR 14331; 79 FR 14333; 79 FR 14571; 79 FR 18391; 79 FR 18392; 79 FR 21996; 79 FR 22003; 79 FR 23797; 79 FR 27043; 79 FR 27681; 79 FR 28588; 79 FR 29495; 79 FR 29496; 79 FR 38649; 80 FR 29225; 80 FR 59230; 81 FR 1284; 81 FR 1474; 81 FR 6573; 81 FR 15401; 81 FR 17237; 81 FR 20433; 81 FR 20435; 81 FR 21655; 81 FR 28136; 81 FR 28138; 81 FR 48493; 81 FR 52516; 81 FR 66718; 81 FR 91239; 81 FR 96196; 82 FR 20962; 82 FR 37499; 82 FR 58262; 83 FR 6919; 83 FR 6922; 83 FR 6925; 83 FR 15159; 83 FR 15232; 83 FR 24146; 83 FR 28325; 83 FR 28332).

Larry Adams, Jr. (FL)
Dean R. Allen (OR)
Scott E. Ames (ME)
Alphonso A. Barco (SC)
Craig J. Belles (NY)

As of July 12, 2020, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following individual has satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (75 FR 25917; 75 FR 39729; 77 FR 36338; 79 FR 35220; 81 FR 81230; 83 FR 28325):

Clare H. Buxton (MI)

The driver was included in docket number FMCSA–2010–0082. The exemption is applicable as of July 12, 2020, and will expire on July 12, 2022.

As of July 19, 2020, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following 12 individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (81 FR 39320; 81 FR 66720; 83 FR 28320; 83 FR 28325; 83 FR 45749):

Louis D. Faw (NC)
Ryan N. Goyne (AR)
Bradley C. Helsel (OR)
Kenneth B. Hulan (OK)
Keith Kebschull (IL)
Jeffrey N. Lake (IL)
James K. Matthey (PA)
Travis D. Summerville (IL)
Lora D. Swindall (AL)
Francis J. Toth (PA)

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA–2016–0028; and FMCSA–2018–0012. Their exemptions are applicable as of July 19, 2020, and will expire on July 19, 2022.

As of July 20, 2020, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following three individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the vision requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers (64 FR 54948; 65 FR 159; 67 FR 10475; 69 FR 8260; 71 FR 6824; 71 FR 32183; 73 FR 11899; 73 FR 36955; 75 FR 36778; 75 FR 36779; 77 FR 38384; 79 FR 35218; 81 FR 90650; 81 FR 96196; 83 FR 28325):

Daniel R. Franks (OH)
Larry L. Jarvis (VA), and Charles E. Johnston (MO)

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA–1999–6156; and FMCSA–2006–24783. Their exemptions are applicable as of July 30, 2020, and will expire on July 30, 2022.

As of July 30, 2020, 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 33017; 77 FR 44708; 79 FR 38661; 81 FR 96196; 83 FR 28325):

Damon G. Gallardo (CA) and Gregory A. Reinert (MN)

The drivers were included in docket number FMCSA–2012–0106. Their exemptions are applicable as of July 30, 2020, and will expire on July 30, 2022.

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(b), each exemption will be valid for 2 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(e) and 31315(b).

Larry W. Minor, Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD–2019–0094]

Deepwater Port License Application: Bluewater Texas Terminal LLC; Project Scope Changes; Request for Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) announce the receipt and