

he has driven tractor-trailer combinations for 35 years, accumulating 4.2 million miles. He holds a Class A CDL from North Carolina. His driving record shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV during the last 3 years.

23. Donald J. Snider

Mr. Snider, 54, has amblyopia in his left eye. His best-corrected visual acuity in the right eye is 20/20 and in the left, 20/200. His ophthalmologist examined him in 2003 and certified, "His situation is stable and I feel he has sufficient vision to continue operating a commercial vehicle." Mr. Snider reported that he has driven straight trucks for 3 years, accumulating 22,000 miles. He holds a chauffeur's license from Indiana. His driving record shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV during the last 3 years.

24. Ralphis L. Tisdale

Mr. Tisdale, 61, lost his right eye due to an injury at age 13. The visual acuity in his left eye is 20/15. Following an examination in 2002 his optometrist stated, "I believe Mr. Tisdale has sufficient vision to perform any driving tasks required of him to operate a commercial vehicle." Mr. Tisdale reported that he has driven straight trucks for 25 years, accumulating 1.3 million miles, and tractor-trailer combinations for 7 years, accumulating 385,000 miles. He holds a Class A CDL from Arkansas. His driving record for the last 3 years shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV.

25. Jesse L. Townsend

Mr. Townsend, 60, has amblyopia in his left eye. His best-corrected visual acuity in the right eye is 20/20 and in the left, 20/200. Following an examination in 2002, his ophthalmologist certified, "In my opinion this patient has sufficient vision to perform the driving tasks required to operate a commercial vehicle." Mr. Townsend reported that he has driven straight trucks for 42 years, accumulating 2.9 million miles, tractor-trailer combinations for 30 years, accumulating 2.1 million miles, and buses for 5 years, accumulating 50,000 miles. He holds a Class D chauffeur's license from Louisiana. His driving record for the last 3 years shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV.

26. Thomas A. Valik, Jr.

Mr. Valik, 38, had a tumor removed from his left eye in 1985. His visual

acuity in the right eye is 20/20 and in the left, no light perception. Following an examination in 2003, his optometrist certified, "There is no visual or ocular reason why he would be unable to safely operate a commercial vehicle." Mr. Valik submitted that he has driven straight trucks and tractor-trailer combinations for 15 years, accumulating 375,000 miles in each. He holds a Class A CDL from Michigan. His driving record shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV during the last 3 years.

27. Thomas D. Walden

Mr. Walden, 50, has been blind in his left eye due to corneal scarring since age 9. His visual acuity in the right eye is 20/15 with correction. Following an examination in 2003, his ophthalmologist certified, "I believe that if Mr. Walden is accustomed to driving a commercial vehicle that he should meet the criteria for continuing to drive with his current ocular status." Mr. Walden reported that he has driven straight trucks for 23 years, accumulating 1.1 million miles, and tractor-trailer combinations for 10 years, accumulating 500,000 miles. He holds a Class A CDL from Georgia. His driving record for the last 3 years shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV.

28. James A. Welch

Mr. Welch, 41, has amblyopia in his left eye. The visual acuity in his right eye is 20/20 and in the left, 20/200. Following an examination in 2002, his optometrist certified, "Mr. Welch shows a good driving history for many years and has sufficient vision to operate a commercial vehicle." Mr. Welch reported that he has driven straight trucks for 21 years, accumulating 1.1 million miles, and tractor-trailer combinations for 2 years, accumulating 52,000 miles. He holds a Class A CDL from New Hampshire. His driving record for the last 3 years shows one accident and no convictions for moving violations in a CMV. According to the police report, Mr. Welch's truck was struck in the rear while he was waiting to merge into traffic. Mr. Welch was not cited.

29. John M. Whetham

Mr. Whetham, 58, was born with no vision in his right eye. The best-corrected visual acuity in his left eye is 20/20. Following an examination in 2003, his optometrist certified, "In my opinion, from my examination and the visual fields, Mr. Whetham has sufficient vision to perform the driving tasks required for his commercial

license." Mr. Whetham reported that he has driven straight trucks and tractor-trailer combinations for 32 years, accumulating 256,000 miles in the former and 1.2 million miles in the latter. He holds a Class A CDL from Montana. His driving record for the last 3 years shows no accidents or convictions for moving violations in a CMV.

30. Michael E. Yount

Mr. Yount, 46, lost his left eye due to an injury at age 17. His best-corrected visual acuity in the right eye is 20/20. Following an examination in 2003, his optometrist certified, "It is my professional opinion that Mr. Yount is able to visually meet the demands of driving a commercial vehicle." Mr. Yount reported that he has driven straight trucks for 3 years, accumulating 75,000 miles, and tractor-trailer combinations for 20 years, accumulating 1.0 million miles. He holds a Class A CDL from Idaho. His driving record for the last 3 years shows no convictions for moving violations in a CMV.

Request for Comments

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2003-15024]

Notice of Request for Renewal of a Currently Approved Information Collection: Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The FMCSA announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) described in this notice is being sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. On May 30, 2003, the