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Mr. Avelino A. Gutierrez Chairman, Board of Directors Unified Carrier Registration Plan 1120 Paseo de Peralta Legal Division, Room 516 Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Mr. Gutierrez:

I have been advised that a question arose after I left the recent Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Board meeting conference call related to the issue of which entities were certified by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to provide UCR services to participating States.

By way of background, FMCSA assisted a total of seven entities to ensure that UCR payment systems successfully interfaced with the FMCSA Safety and Fitness Electronic Records (SAFER) System for UCR enforcement and subsequent fee collection. This collaborative effort began in the summer of 2006. Three out of the seven entities were third party contractors engaged by the States to perform this service on their behalf. Currently, the entities below are certified to work with FMCSA concerning UCR. They include:

- Iteris, Inc. Iteris delivers hardware and software engineering, image processing, and
  traffic management services for both public and private entities within the transportation
  sector. They develop and apply advanced technologies to reduce travel time, reduce
  congestion, enhance transit operations, and provide safer mobility.
- ACS Government Solutions Inc. ACS provides assistance to transportation agencies to
  address revenue collection and regulation compliance challenges. ACS also can help
  governments with insufficient funds or resources find ways to apply new business models
  and processes to meet their challenges.
- InfoME. InfoME is a public/private long-term partnership created by the Maine State Legislature in 1998 to build a portal network for public information. The network is operated with oversight by the InforME Board, comprised of public and private members, who set policy and approve fees. These services are only available within the State of Maine.

I hope this information clarifies this issue. If you or the Board have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Julie Otto of my staff, at (202) 366-0710 or via e-mail at julie.otto@dot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Mr. Robert Pitcher, Vice-Chair, UCR Board of Directors Mr. Dave Lazarides, Chair, UCR System Subcommittee