

Unified Carrier Registration Agreement

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Mr. David H. Hugel, Deputy Administrator
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Washington, D.C. 20590

Subject: Requested changes to FMCSA database

Dear Mr. Hugel:

In order to facilitate the states' processing of UCR applications; to provide adequate and easily accessible information to enforcement officials (for both roadside and audit purposes); and, to assist the affected industries to be in compliance with the UCR requirements, the following modifications to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration ("FMCSA") database are requested:

1. Display the quantity of power units and of trailers (from the MCS-150) on www.safersys.org. This will allow motor carriers to review these numbers prior to registering under the UCR program and assist the states in processing UCR applications.
2. That SAFER contain multiple years of UCR registration data. This will allow regulators/administrators to readily determine if an entity was registered for a previous year as well as a subsequent year. The UCR Board prefers to have three (3) years of past history available.
3. Create a location on the MCMIS database to log UCR undeliverable mail. The majority of states received about 22% of their 2007 UCR mailouts returned as undeliverable. That's approximately \$33,500 in lost revenue in postage alone (that figure does not include the cost of the mailing itself). This field should then be available to be utilized to screen carriers for future mailings.

Note: We also received several returned with "Deceased" marked on them. We would like to know how to process these (or to advise survivors accordingly).

4. Currently, for a UCR search of www.safersys.org, a user must depress the SEARCH button. We request the ability to execute a search when the ENTER key is depressed.

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5. From the carrier's Snapshot display (<http://www.safersys.org/query.asp>) in the upper right hand corner of the screen include a hyperlink to UCR data directly below the existing hyperlinks (SafeStat results, and L & I, etc.,)
6. Display both Legal name and DBA name on the UCR results screen. This will assist in verifying the correct search was performed (<http://www.safersys.org/UCRQueryForm.aspx>).
7. Add the entity type "Leasing Company" to the list available for entities applying for USDOT numbers (current types are carrier; hazardous materials shipper, both a carrier and a shipper or a registrant). This will allow leasing companies to comply with the UCR registration requirement without unduly burdening state and national UCR systems as well as allow the data to be imported and displayed in FMSCA's systems.

Please feel free to discuss any of these issues with the UCR Board Systems Subcommittee Chairman Dave Lazarides. Dave can be reached by email at dlazarid@icc.illinois.gov or by telephone at (217) 782-9228.

Sincerely,



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Unified Carrier Registration Plan

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