



U.S. Department
of Transportation

Deputy Administrator

1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Federal Motor Carrier
Safety Administration

APR 28 2008

Refer to: MC-ESS

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:

As mentioned in my letter of March 25 responding to four issues raised in your March 5 letter on behalf of the Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Agreement Board of Directors (Board), three of the seven issues raised required Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to conduct additional research or make policy decisions. This letter addresses two of the remaining issues. The final issue is currently being researched. FMCSA will respond as soon as this research has been completed.

The following answers respond to requests by the Board for FMCSA to make modifications to various database systems that provide information to the States; specifically the Safety and Fitness Electronic Records (SAFER) System and the Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS).

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.

Response: Due to other Agency priorities, FMCSA cannot accommodate this request at this time.

6. Display both Legal name and Doing Business as (DBA) name on the UCR results screen. This will assist in verifying the correct search was performed.

Response: 49 CFR 390.19(d) allows an entity to use either its legal name or a single trade name when submitting an MCS-150 form. Currently, SAFER and MCMIS contain one field or either the legal name or single trade name. Because these fields originate in MCMIS (via completion of the MCS-150 form) any change in the number of fields must be made in

MCMIS. Due to other Agency priorities, FMCSA cannot accommodate this request at this time.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these issues, please contact Julie Otto of my staff, at (202) 366-0710 or via e-mail at julie.otto@dot.gov.

I would also like to advise you that due to out of town travel on behalf of the Agency, I will not be able to participate in the next board of directors meeting, scheduled for May 8, 2008. I have, however, requested members of my staff to sit in on the conference call to identify any issues raised that FMCSA may need to review and respond to.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David H. Hugel", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David H. Hugel

cc:

Mr. Robert Pitcher, Vice-Chair