### §381.215

CMVs during the unique, non-emergency event:

- (3) Principal place of business for the motor carrier or other entity (street address, city, State, and zip code); and
- (4) The USDOT identification number for the motor carrier, if applicable.
- (c) You must provide a written statement that:
- (1) Describes the unique, non-emergency event for which the waiver would be used, including the time period during which the waiver is needed;
- (2) Identifies the regulation that you believe needs to be waived;
- (3) Provides an estimate of the total number of drivers and CMVs that would be operated under the terms and conditions of the waiver; and
- (4) Explains how you would ensure that you could achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety that would be obtained by complying with the regulation.

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## § 381.215 What will the FMCSA do after the agency receives my request for a waiver?

- (a) The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration will review your request and make a recommendation to the Administrator. The final decision whether to grant or deny the application for a waiver will be made by the Administrator.
- (b) After a decision is signed by the Administrator, you will be sent a copy of the document, which will include the terms and conditions for the waiver or the reason for denying the application for a waiver.

## § 381.220 How long will it take the agency to respond to my request for a waiver?

You should receive a response from the agency within 60 calendar days from the date the Administrator receives your request. However, depending on the complexity of the issues discussed in your application, and the availability of staff to review the material, a final decision may take up to 120 days.

# § 381.225 Who should I contact if I have questions about the information I am required to submit to the FMCSA or about the status of my request for a waiver?

You should contact the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Operations (MC-PS), 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

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### Subpart C—Procedures for Applying for Exemptions

#### §381.300 What is an exemption?

- (a) An exemption is temporary regulatory relief from one or more FMCSR given to a person or class of persons subject to the regulations, or who intend to engage in an activity that would make them subject to the regulations.
- (b) An exemption provides the person or class of persons with relief from the regulations for up to two years, and may be renewed.
- (c) Exemptions may only be granted from one or more of the requirements contained in the following parts and sections of the FMCSRs:
- (1) Part 382—Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing:
- (2) Part 383—Commercial Driver's License Standards; Requirements and Penalties:
- (3) Part 391—Qualifications of Drivers:
- (4) Part 392—Driving of Commercial Motor Vehicles;
- (5) Part 393—Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation;
- (6) Part 395—Hours of Service of Drivers:
- (7) Part 396—Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance (except for § 396.25); and
- (8) Part 399—Step, Handhold and Deck Requirements.

### § 381.305 How do I determine when I may apply for an exemption?

(a) You may apply for an exemption if one or more FMCSR prevents you from implementing more efficient or effective operations that would maintain a level of safety equivalent to, or greater than, the level achieved without the exemption.