January 8, 2018

To Motor Carrier Safety Enforcement Officials:

    This driver is operating under an exemption from the hours of service electronic logging devices requirements of 49 CFR Part 395 to be granted by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to the Motion Picture Association of America. Docket No. FMCSA-2017-0298.

    As set out in the attached letter dated December 21, 2017 from the FMCSA Deputy Administrator, the exemption will cover commercial motor vehicle drivers providing transportation of property or passengers to and from theatrical or motion picture production sites. A notice of the exemption will be published in the Federal Register in the next few weeks.

    The exemption will allow the driver to record hours of service under 49 CFR Part 395 using paper Records of Duty Status rather than an electronic logging device. The driver remains subject to all of the other hours of service requirements in Part 395.

    If have questions or need additional information regarding this exemption, please contact Wiley Deck, Director of Governmental Affairs at the FMCSA, at (202) 366-1927 or by email at wiley.deck@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Schweitzer:

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has completed its review of the Motion Picture Association of America’s application for an exemption from the hours-of-service electronic logging device requirements in 49 CFR part 395, as well as the public comments filed in response to the application. This letter is to inform you that FMCSA intends to grant your request for an exemption.

The exemption, which will be published in the Federal Register later this month, will cover commercial motor vehicle drivers providing transportation of property or passengers to and from theatrical or television motion picture production sites. The forthcoming Federal Register notice will discuss in greater detail our analysis of the public comments and prescribe the terms and conditions of the exemption.

If you need additional information or assistance, please contact Wiley Deck, Director of Governmental Affairs, at (202) 366-1927 or by email at wiley.deck@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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