



Regulatory Policy Committee

CHAIRMAN: Dean Newell, VP of Safety and Training, Maverick USA
TCA STAFF LIAISON: David Heller, Kathryn Pobre

MINUTES:

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 20, 2021
TIME: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET
PLACE: Virtual

MEMBERS PRESENT

Roger Amhof
Ben Archer
Dave Berry
Jon Coca
Roy Cox
Jeff Davis
Dennis Dellinger
Amber Edmondson
Dave Edmondson
John Elliott
David Freeman
Finch Fulton
Sherri Garner Brumbaugh
Brent Hutto
Josh Kaburick
Bob Kretsinger

Trevor Kurtz
Scott Manthey
Ed Nagle
Dean Newell
Steve Newton
Manohar Patwardhan
Rob Penner
Scott Randall
John Simms
Karen Smerchek
Konor Swedberg
Tommy Thomas
Randy Vernon
Jim Ward
Dave Widly
Dave Williams

GUESTS PRESENT

Todd Amen
Candace Bartel
Tim Chrulski
John Culp
Joe DeLorenzo
Tanya Fox
Brian Hall
Pete Hill
Joey Hogan
Amy Mielke

Jonathan Neeb
Mylene Patterson
Garth Pitzel
Jon Russell
Glynn Spangenberg
Mark Spicer
Marilyn Surber
Tyler Tigges
Paul Truman

TCA STAFF

Kristen Bouchard
Kim Grimmick

Marli Hall
David Heller

Hunter Livesay
John Lyboldt
Kathryn Pobre
Jim Schoonover

Kelly Schubert
Caitlin Smith
Ryan Snyder

I. Call to Order

Chairman Dean Newell called the meeting to order at approximately 11:00 a.m. ET. Attendees who were not identified through their Zoom video were asked to introduce themselves. A video by DriverFacts, the sponsor of the 2021 TCA Spring Business Meetings, welcomed participants to the meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to conduct the meeting according to the antitrust guidelines. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the previous virtual meeting on September 22, 2020.

II. FMCSA Update – Joe DeLorenzo, Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement, FMCSA

Joe DeLorenzo of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) updated attendees on the various actions taken by FMCSA in response to the coronavirus pandemic through waivers granting additional flexibility for the industry. He discussed the new hours-of-service (HOS) regulations, which went into effect in September 2020, and corresponding ELD compliance figures. He also noted the impact of the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse and answered questions from the group.

III. Discussion of TCA Limiting Speeds on Trucks Policy – David Heller, Vice President of Government Affairs, TCA

TCA's David Heller introduced new proposed policy language for the association regarding Limiting Speeds on Trucks. The language mirrored the policy language recently adopted by the American Trucking Associations, and consideration of this language was recommended by the Advocacy Advisory Committee. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to present the proposed updated Limiting Speeds on Trucks policy before the Board of Directors for their approval.

IV. Overview of Regulatory Comments Submitted – Kathryn Pobre, Manager of Government Affairs, TCA

Kathryn Pobre explained to committee members that TCA had filed seven regulatory comments since the last committee meeting in September. These comments included five to FMCSA regarding the proposed 3-hour pause pilot program, the 18-20-year-old driver pilot program, the definition of yard moves, recordkeeping requirements, and rear impact guards. Additionally, comments were filed with the Department of Labor in support of new rules for determining independent contractor status and with the Department of Health and Human Services in opposition to the proposed hair testing guidelines.

V. Old/New Business

Since there was no old or new business to address, Chairman Newell called for a motion to adjourn and the meeting was ended at approximately 11:50 a.m. ET.

VI. Adjournment

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