

Good morning, everyone,

Hope this 2024 year is going well for you.

We (local, state, and federal governments) have been working together since before 2013, regarding the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) requirement to get CDL traffic convictions posted on a driver record within a specified time limit. Tennessee has codified this requirement into statute (T.C.A. 55-50-409).

Our combined efforts in Tennessee have reduced the number of commercial vehicles involved in fatal crashes by 36%. This is fantastic!!! And it proves that what we have been doing has saved lives.

Then Covid-19 hit. We suddenly and desperately needed supplies that the trucking industry was trying to deliver. Courts, local law enforcement, and state patrols worked with the commercial industry all over America so that supplies could get to food, medical, and other necessary businesses. These concerted efforts were very helpful in the fight against the pandemic.

Concerning the Quarterly Report attachment: As reflected in these reports, many courts which were compliant in the past now have a lower compliance percentage because of the pandemic.

Now on to the next level. We have started sending a report showing each court's compliance result. This includes CDL and Non-CDL drivers.

Please find attached news reports of a tragic accident which involved a driver who should not have had a CDL license. Because of the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles' lapse in processing suspensions, several other states including Tennessee have audited themselves. This report reflects the compliance status of all Tennessee courts. If there is non-compliance, it will be reflected. When the courts get the CDL convictions to the state within 5 days of the conviction, that gives the state 5 days to get violations posted to the driver history. This gets multi-violation drivers off the roads much sooner.

Striving to accomplish and obtaining a higher compliance percentage has proved to lower the number of fatalities in Tennessee and the other states.

Let's begin and be determined to bring our compliance percentage back up to 85% or more. We've done it before, and we can do it again!

I sincerely thank you for your efforts,

Wayne Deason