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UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION AGREEMENT

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL INTERSTATE MOTOR CARRIERS OF PROPERTY AND PASSENGERS, AND MOTOR PRIVATE CARRIERS OF PROPERTY

If you operate a truck or bus in interstate or international commerce, the registration requirements of the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement (UCR) apply to your business.

The UCR requires individuals and companies that operate commercial motor vehicles in interstate or international commerce to register their Maine based business with Maine and pay an annual fee based on the size of their fleet. Motor private carriers of passengers only are not required to register and pay fees under the UCR. The revenues generated will be used for commercial vehicle safety programs and initiatives.

You must register for the calendar year 2009 by January 1, 2009, in order to be in compliance.

For purposes of determining the number of fleet vehicles, a "commercial motor vehicle" is defined as a self-propelled or towed vehicle used on the highways in commerce principally to transport passengers or cargo, if the vehicle:

- (a) has a gross vehicle weight rating or gross vehicle weight of at least 10,001 pounds, whichever is greater;
(b) is designed to transport more than 10 passengers, including the driver; or
(c) is used in transporting hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding.

THE FEE BRACKETS FOR MOTOR CARRIERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Table with 3 columns: Fleet Size (From/To), Fee Per Company. Rows include brackets from 0-2, 3-5, 6-20, 21-100, 101-1,000, and 1,001 more, with corresponding fees ranging from \$39.00 to \$37,500.00.

Example: A motor carrier operating four tractors, eight trailers, and nine straight trucks has a fleet size of twenty-one commercial motor vehicles and pays \$806.00.

Included in this mailing is a UCR application form and instruction sheet. To avoid delays it is highly recommended that you register on-line. You can register with Maine on-line at http://www.maine.gov/online/ucr/. Payments may be made on-line using MasterCard, Visa, or e-Check.

Applications and payments sent by mail should be addressed to:

Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Motor Carrier Services - UCR
29 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0029

Payment can be made in the form of Cash, Credit Card [MasterCard or Visa], Check, or Money Order. Please make checks payable to: Maine Secretary of State and include your USDOT, MC or FF Number on the remarks line of the check. Credit card payments other than MasterCard or Visa will be processed through the VitalChek Network, a third party vendor that charges an incremental processing fee based on the amount due. Please call 207-624-9000 ext. 52130 for the applicable fee.

If you have questions or need help processing your UCR application, please call (207) 624-9000 ext. 52130. All UCR forms, instructions, and supporting documentation are available online at http://www.maine.gov/sos/bmv/commercial/UCR.htm.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you operated in 2008 and did not register in the UCR, it is advisable that you pay both your 2008 and 2009 UCR fees to avoid enforcement action.