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Re: Allow Diabetics to Obtain a CDL
Docket ID No. FMCSA-2001-9800 - 21

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is a letter to request that you support legislation to allow diabetics to obtain a commercial driver's license (CDL). The blanket ban that prevents people with diabetes from obtaining a commercial driver's license is unfair and should be replaced with a fair system of individual evaluation.

The current plan under review will allow persons with diabetes to be individually evaluated for a CDL, but under this same plan the proposed three-year rule which would still disqualify most diabetics from obtaining a CDL.

I strongly urge you to support legislation that would allow people with diabetes to be evaluated on an individual basis in order to obtain a commercial driver's license.

Thank you for your anticipated support of this issue.

Very truly yours,



Mary Ann Kenny Pidgeon

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