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**Question:** Can a mobile app and the vehicle engine communicate over a cellular network?

**Guidance**: The ELD rule does not prohibit this type of communication. However, manufacturers should keep in mind that in places without coverage, and without cellular communication, the device may not be able to record or display records of duty status (RODS), which would leave the driver not current to the last duty status change or operating without logs—a violation of the Hours of Service rules.

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