Human Factors in ADS-equipped CMVs

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Background

- Automated Driving System (ADS)-equipped CMVs hold the promise of increased safety—but are not without risks, particularly for Level 2/3 ADS operation
- Some areas to explore:
 - CMV driver behaviors of interest (such as driver distraction) as they relate to takeover readiness and performance.
 - Transfer and sharing of control that examines the interaction effects among and between individual characteristics, system characteristics, secondary tasks, driving environments, and time to collision.
 - Highly automated driving training for drivers in general is lacking. The development and testing of unified education and training programs for CMV drivers that focus on ADSs is warranted.
- Additional research is needed to understand how ADAS and ADS features affect drivers' safety performance and ability to safety control the CMV

Overall Study Objectives



Determine the effect of transfer of control on CMV drivers in an SAE Level 3 CMV. Develop and evaluate a distraction training program designed to decrease the levels of CMV driver inattention.

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- Approach: Simulator-based studies and training program
- Goal of 100 total participants
- Status: Completing the Information Collection Request to gain OMB approval for the data collection
- Expect to gain a better understanding of how drivers interact with L2 and L3 systems
- Will develop recommendations for training drivers on these systems



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