Unified Registration System
Training Series
Webinar 1: Awareness

October 29, 30 and November 3 and 5, 2015

Office of Research and Information Technology

Agenda

■ Unified Registration System (URS) Overview

■ Deactivation Statistics

■ Regulatory Schedule

■ Key Changes Coming

■ Outreach & Training

■ Impacts on State Operations

URS Overview

■ What is the Unified Registration System?

■ Why did FMCSA undertake the URS rulemaking?

■ Who is required to comply with this rule?

What is the Unified Registration System?

■ A new online registration system that will streamline and simplify the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) registration process:

- Combining multiple registration processes

- Consolidating information technology systems

- Consolidating multiple forms into a single registration process

■ A clearinghouse and depository of information on all entities regulated by the Agency

Why did FMCSA undertake the URS rulemaking?

■ To simplify the registration process and to save time from filling out paperwork

■ To maintain more accurate information on the entities subject to FMCSA's jurisdiction

■ To implement provisions required by legislation

- ICC Termination Act of 1995

- Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users

Who is required to comply with this rule?

- ■ All entities regulated by the Agency:

  - Motor Carriers

  - Intermodal Equipment Providers (IEPs)

  - Hazardous Materials Safety Permit Applicants/Holders (HMSPs)

  - Brokers

  - Freight Forwarders

  - Cargo Tank Facilities

URS Features and Benefits

- Simplified processes and combined forms, using a single online, interactive application

- Reduced paperwork and errors

- Reduced application review and approval times, increasing efficiency

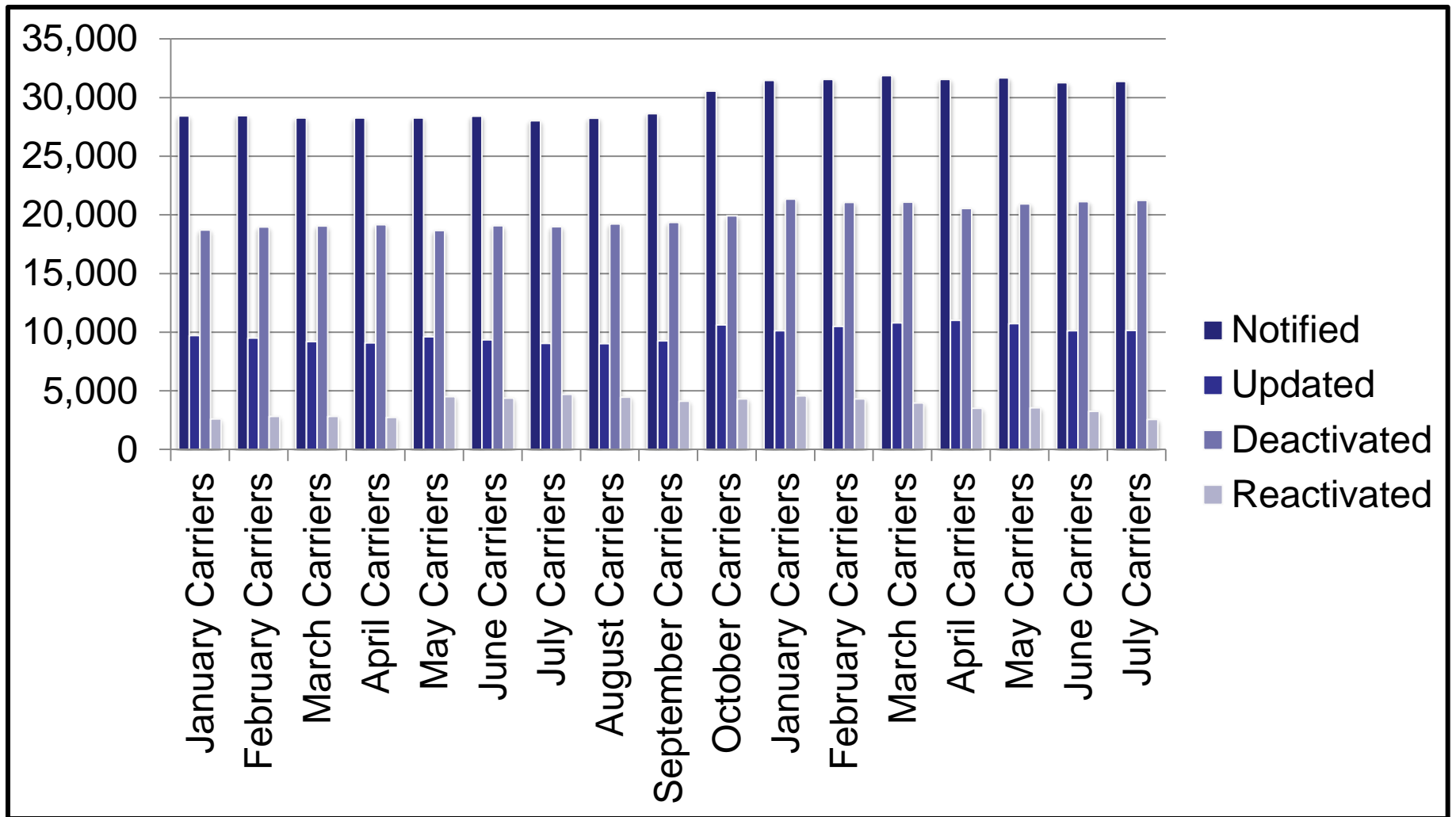- Improved accountability

- Raises the bar for safety

URS Features and Benefits, cont.

- Users can print a summary of the application for registration, upload documents and submit payment for fees

- Users can save an incomplete application for 30 calendar days

- URS will electronically screens all applications to identify high risk carriers, including potential reincarnated carriers

USDOT Number Deactivation Statistics

Total deactivations (Mar 2014 - Sep 2015) = 275,295

As of 09/25/2015

Key URS Provisions in December 2015

- Key Change:

  - New Applicants will use the new online registration process (MCSA-1)*

- Key provisions that will **<u>not</u>** change:

  - All existing entities with a USDOT, MC, or FF number, or combinations of them will continue to use existing agency forms and processes to conduct biennial updates, seek additional registration authorities, make administrative filings, and other registration-related transactions

  - State and industry officials will continue to follow current processes and check existing systems to ensure that motor carriers and other regulated entities have the proper authority

*Excluding Non-North American and Mexican Long Haul carriers

Impacts on State Operations

■ **USDOT Number Issuance**

  ● New process in some states

  ● Resources for motor carriers and other entities

    – Online training

    – FMCSA Contact Center with online tools

    – Trade associations

    – 3rd-party permitting service providers

■ **Unified Carrier Registration – No change**

  ● Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) is <u>completely separate and distinct</u> from the Federal URS

  ● State-based registration system enacted August 10, 2005 replaced the Single State Registration System (SSRS)

Key URS Changes in September 2016

- USDOT# will be the sole identifier

- FMCSA will discontinue issuing MC#s, FF#s

- One streamlined electronic registration process

- Electronic filings only – No more paper or faxes

- Registration will cost $300 per registration requested on an application

- All applications will be automatically screened to assess safety risk, including risk for reincarnation

Key URS Changes in September & December 2016

- September 30, 2016:

  - New carriers

    - Insurance filings for New Private HAZMAT and Exempt-For Hire Carriers

    - Service of process agent filings for New Private and Exempt-For Hire Carriers (BOC-3)

- December 31, 2016:

  - Existing carriers

    - Insurance filings for Existing Private HAZMAT and Exempt-For Hire Carriers

    - Service of process agent filings for Existing Private and Exempt-For Hire Carriers (BOC-3)

URS Timeline

December 12, 2015	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2016

December 12, 2015

- Electronic filing only using MCSA-1 online application process for new applicants (excluding Non-North American and Mexican Long Haul carriers)

September 30, 2016

- All entities must update their name, form of business or address within 30 days of change

- Insurance filing required for new exempt for-hire and private HM, before registration granted

- BOC-3 form required for new private and exempt for-hire carriers, before registration granted

- All new applicants are subject to a registration fee, for each registration requested

- All entities will be required to use the electronic process to request any new registration

December 31, 2016

- Existing private and exempt for-hire carriers required to have BOC-3 on file, to avoid enforcement

- Existing exempt for-hire and private HM carriers required to have evidence of financial responsibility of file, to avoid enforcement.

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URS Outreach Efforts

- Notification and Warning Letters

- Information Sharing with States and motor carrier associations

- Social Media

- Satellite Radio Interviews

- Outreach Materials

URS Webinars/Training Schedule

■ Awareness webinars (all times Eastern)

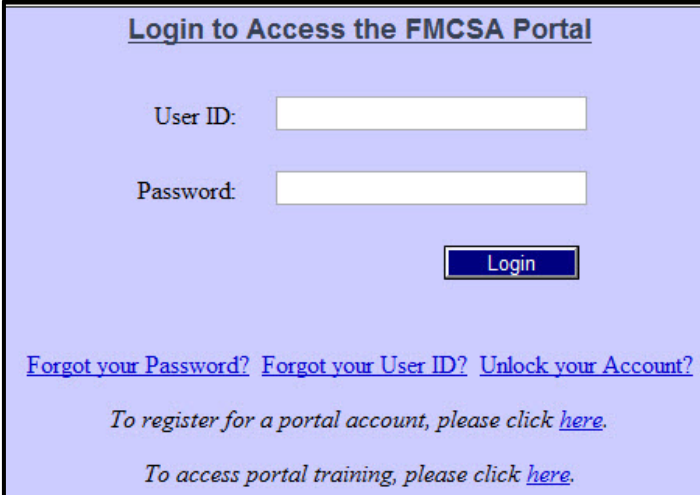| Thursday, October 29, 2015 | 10:00–11:30 a.m. |
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Tuesday, November 03, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
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Thursday, November 05, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
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■ System Demonstration webinars

Thursday, November 19, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
Thursday, November 19, 2015	2:00–3:30 p.m.
Friday, November 20, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
Friday, November 20, 2015	2:00–3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, December 01, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, December 01, 2015	2:00–3:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 03, 2015	10:00–11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, December 15, 2015	2:00–3:30 p.m.

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UNIFIED REGISTRATION SYSTEM

Simplifying USDOT Registration

Resources

- For more information on URS requirements, or to complete a biennial update, carriers can visit www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs.

- Carriers can find more FMCSA registration and licensing FAQs and submit their questions online at www.fmcsa.dot.gov/ask.

- Carriers can view and update their information online using the FMCSA Portal at: https://portal.fmcsa.dot.gov/login

- FMCSA Contact Center

  - 800-832-5660

  - Hours of Operation: M–F 8:00am–8:00pm ET

Login to Access the FMCSA Portal

User ID:

Password:

Login

Forgot your Password?   Forgot your User ID?   Unlock your Account?

To register for a portal account, please click *here*.

To access portal training, please click *here*.

URS Summary

- **December 12, 2015:**

    - Electronic filing only using MCSA-1 online application process for new applicants*

    - Existing entities will use current processes

- **September 30, 2016:**

    - URS is fully operational

    - USDOT Number is sole identifier, Docket (MC, FF) numbers will no longer be issued

    - Electronic applications only—paper forms no longer accepted

    - Registration will cost $300 per registration requested on an application, including a separate fee for safety registration

- **December 31, 2016**

    - Insurance filings for Existing Private HAZMAT and Exempt-For Hire Carriers must be on file

    - Service of process agent filings for Existing Private and Exempt-For Hire Carriers (BOC-3) must be on file

*Excluding Non-North American and Mexican Long Haul carriers

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