

# Motor Carrier Attachment – Echo Transportation Post Accident Compliance Review Biloxi, MS

HWY17MH010

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Legal: ECHO TOURS & CHARTERS LP
Operating (DBA): ECHO TRANSPORTATION

MC/MX #: 755212 Federal Tax ID:

Review Type: Compliance Review (CR)

Scope: Principal Office Location of Review/Audit: Company facility in the U. S. Territory:

Operation Types Interstate Intrastate

Carrier: Non-HM Non-HM Business: Corporation

Shipper: N/A N/A Gross Revenue: for year ending: 12/31/2016

Cargo Tank: N/A

9314 W JEFFERSON BLVD # 295

**Company Physical Address:** 

**DALLAS, TX 75211** 

Contact Name: Phone numbers: (1)

(2) 855-339-3246 Fax 817-526-7490

**E-Mail Address:** www.echotransportation.com

**Company Mailing Address:** 

PO BOX 532789

**GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75053** 

Carrier Classification

Authorized for Hire

Cargo Classification

Passengers

**Equipment** 

OwnedTerm LeasedTrip LeasedOwnedTerm Leased Trip LeasedMotor Coach8500Minibus, 16+3600

Power units used in the U.S.:121

Percentage of time used in the U.S.:100

Does carrier transport placardable quantities of HM?  $_{NO}$  Is an HM Permit required?  $_{N/A}$ 

Driver Information

Inter Intra Average trip leased drivers/month: 0 < 100 Miles: 44 Total Drivers: 1

 < 100 Miles:</td>
 44
 Total Drivers: 140

 >= 100 Miles:
 96
 CDL Drivers: 140





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## Part A

Questions about this report or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety or Hazardous Materials regulations may be addressed to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration at:

El Paso Field Office 8370 Burnham, Suite 100

El Paso, TX 79907 Phone: (915)595-7570 Fax:(915)594-8857

This report will be used to assess your safety compliance.

Person(s) Interviewed

Name: Name: Title: Company CEO

Title: Manager, Safety and Compliance



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# **Part B Violations**

1 FEDERAL	Primary: 391.51(b) (1)	Discovered	Checked	Drivers/V In Violation	ehicles Checked
		1	17	1	17

#### Description

Each motor carrier shall maintain a driver qualification file for each driver it employs. A driver's qualification file may be combined with his/her personnel file. The qualification file for a driver must include: The driver's application for employment completed in accordance with §391.21;

Example

Driver	, trip date; 3/11/2017 Texas to Louisiana				
2 STATE	Primary: 391.51(b) (1)	Discovered	Checked	Drivers/V In Violation	ehicles Checked
		0	4	0	4

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## **Example**

No violation for intrastate driver in this part.

Γ	3	Primary: 395.8(e)			Drivers/Vehicles	
l	STATE	• ( )	Discovered	Checked	In Violation	Checked
l		CFR Equivalent: 395.8(e)	0	90	0	3

#### Description

False reports of records of duty status (inaccurate)

#### Example

no violation

4 FEDERAL	Primary: 395.8(e)	Discovered	Checked	Drivers/V In Violation	ehicles Checked
		2	248	1	9

## Description

False reports of records of duty status (inaccurate)

#### **Example**

Driver trip date 1/14/2017. Driver showing off duty while driver was purchasing home cleaning products at home depot.

Safety Fitness Rating Information:		OOS Vehicle (CR): 0
Total Miles Operated	3,340,366	Number of Vehicle Inspected (CR): 8
Recordable Accidents	3	OOS Vehicle (MCMIS): 0
Recordable Accidents/Million Miles 0.90		Number of Vehicles Inspected (MCMIS): 12

Your proposed safety rating is :	Rating Factors	Rating Factors		Acute Critical	
roun proposed entroy running to r	Factor 1:	S	0	0	
	Factor 2:	S	0	0	
SATISFACTORY	Factor 3:	S	0	0	
OATIOI AGTORT	Factor 4:	S	0	0	
	Factor 5:	N	0	0	
	Factor 6:	S	-	-	

Corrective actions must be taken for any violations (deficiencies) identified on Part B of this report.



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# Part B Requirements and/or Recommendations

- 1. Ensure that all drivers are fully and properly qualified before operating in interstate commerce. Maintain a complete file as required for each driver, documenting the qualification process. The application for employment shall be made on a form furnished by the motor carrier. Each application form must be completed by the applicant, must be signed by him/her.
- 2. Ensure that all drivers' records of duty status (logs) are accurate. Check them against "supporting documents" to verify accuracy. Prohibit falsification of logs by any driver. Review the rules on supporting documents. Take appropriate action against drivers who falsify logs.
- 3. A copy of your carrier profile can be obtained at no cost from the FMCSA Portal (https://portal.fmcsa.dot.gov/login).
- **4.** Require all drivers to prepare complete and accurate records of duty status for each day, and to submit them within 13 days. Maintain all duty status records on file, with all supporting documents, for at least 6 months.
- 5. Copies of the regulations, forms, interpretations, and manuals are available from a variety of sources. Check the FMCSA website for a current list of suppliers. www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safety-security/eta/index.htm
- 6. If you have any questions concerning this report,, please contact the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 903 San Jacinto Blvd suite 1100 Austin TX 78701.
- 7. Understand Why Compliance Saves Time and Money: Compliance with FMCSRs will not only save lives, but also saves your business time and money. Tracking how much your business spends on non-compliance activities can help you understand the many benefits of compliance to your business and why safety is good business.

Document and Follow Through on Action Plans: Document and follow through on action plans to ensure the actions you are taking are creating improvement in safety management and compliance.

NOTICE: A pattern and/or repeated violations of the same or related acute or critical regulations (violations of the same Part in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations) will cause the maximum penalties allowed by law to be assessed under Section 222 of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 (MCSIA). A pattern of violations means two or more violations of acute and/or critical regulations in three or more Parts of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations discovered during any eligible investigation. Repeated violations means violation(s) of an acute regulation of the same Part of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations discovered in an investigation after one or more closed enforcement actions within a six year period and/or violation(s) of a critical regulation in the same Part of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations discovered in an investigation after two or more closed enforcement actions within a six year period.

NOTICE: 49 CFR Part 391.23 requires prospective employers to, at a minimum, investigate a driver's employment information, crash record, and alcohol and controlled substances history from all employers the driver worked for within the previous 3 years.

The Pre-Employment Screening Program (PSP) is a screening tool that assists motor carriers in investigating crash history and roadside safety performance of prospective drivers. The PSP allows motor carriers to purchase 5 years of crash data and 3 years of roadside inspection data from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS). Records are available 24 hours a day via Web request. Motor carriers should visit the following website for more information: http://www.psp.fmcsa.dot.gov/Pages/default.aspx

All motor carriers and truck drivers are needed to fight against terrorism and hijacking. You could be a target. Protect yourself, your trucks, your cargo, and your facilities. Discuss with your employees/drivers the "Security Measures for Truck Drivers and Companies" which were provided and reviewed with motor carrier official. Motor carriers should visit the following website for more information: http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/documents/Hijacking-Brochure.pdf



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PLEASE NOTE: The violations discovered during this compliance review may affect the civil penalty proposed in any subsequent Notice of Claim. In addition, your history of prior violations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, Federal Hazardous Material Regulations or the Federal Motor Carrier Commercial Regulations may also affect the civil penalty proposed in any subsequent Notice of Claim. Receipt of this report acknowledges your understanding that the violations discovered by the FMCSA during this review may be used to calculate any civil penalty proposed as a result of this review.

If you believe the violations recorded in Part B of this investigation were an error, you may submit a Request for Data Review (RDR) through DataQs. The DataQs system is the most effective way to remove violations on the investigation report that did not affect your safety rating data. DataQs is an online system that allows a motor carrier or driver to request and track a review of Federal and State issued data that it believes to be incomplete or incorrect. To submit an RDR, go to https://dataqs.fmcsa.dot.gov.

Information on your compliance status, roadside inspections, regulatory changes, accident countermeasures and hazardous material incident prevention manual is available on the Internet at the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's web site at http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/ and http://www.safer.fmcsa.dot.gov/.