# STATE OF KANSAS



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GOVERNOR JEFF COLYER, M.D. Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair | Jay Scott Emler, Commissioner | Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner

#### NOTICE OF PENALTY ASSESSMENT

December 4, 2018

19-TRAM-210-PEN

Michael J. Korte, Managing Member K2 LLC 1335 2000 Street Iola, KS 66749

This is a notice of a penalty assessment against K2 LLC (K2) for violation(s) of Kansas Motor Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules, and Regulations discovered during a compliance review conducted on October 31, 2018, by Kansas Corporation Commission Special Investigator Michael Heenan. Penalty amounts are assessed in accordance with the FY 2019 Uniform Penalty Assessment Matrix, approved by the Commission on August 7, 2018. For a full description of the penalty and terms and obligations, please refer to the Penalty Order attached to this notice.

#### IF YOU ACCEPT THE PENALTY:

K2 has been assessed a \$650 penalty. You have thirty (30) days from the date of service of this Penalty Order to pay the fine, unless you choose the reduced penalty option explained below. Please remit payment of \$650 through your personal account with the Kansas Corporation Commission's KTRAN system located at <a href="https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/ktran/">https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/ktran/</a>. If you have not received a letter from the Transportation Division assigning you a PIN, please contact that Division at 785-271-3145. You must have an account through KTRAN to pay the penalty owed.

# K2 IS A NEW ENTRANT MOTOR CARRIER AND MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A PENALTY REDUCTION OF FIFTY PERCENT (50%) UNDER THE FOLLOWING TERMS SET OUT IN THE ATTACHED REDUCED PENALTY AGREEMENT.

To become eligible, you must agree to meet the terms and obligations set out in the attached Reduced Penalty Agreement to be eligible for the reduction. The Reduced Penalty Agreement must be submitted to the Litigation Division within 15 days.

#### IF YOU CONTEST THE PENALTY ORDER:

You have the right to request a hearing if you contest the terms of the Penalty Order. A request for hearing must be made in writing, setting forth the specific grounds upon which relief is sought. K2 LLC must file within fifteen (15) days from the date of service of this Order, the request for hearing with the Commission's electronic filing system found at https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/e-filing/e-express/, and mail a copy of the request for hearing to Litigation Counsel at the above address. If you do not have access to the internet, you can mail an original and seven (7) copies of the request to the Secretary to the Commission at 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604, and mail a copy of the request to Litigation Counsel. K.A.R. 82-1-215; K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 77-542.

### IF YOU FAIL TO ACT:

Failure to adhere to the terms and obligations set out in the attached Penalty Order, including payment of the penalty of \$650 within thirty (30) days from the date of service of the Penalty Order, or in the alternative, provide a written request for a hearing within 15 days from the date of service of the Penalty Order, will result in the Order becoming final and the terms and conditions set out therein will be enforced.

Respectfully,

Ahsan A. Latif Litigation Counsel (785) 271-3118

a.latif@kcc.ks.gov

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#### REDUCED PENALTY AGREEMENT

#### 19-TRAM-210-PEN

- K2 LLC (K2) hereby submits this Reduced Penalty Agreement for approval of a fifty percent (50%) reduction in the penalty assessed in the Penalty Order dated December 4, 2018. K2 has agreed to comply with the following terms and obligations:
- 1. K2 has submitted, within fifteen (15) days from the date of the Penalty Order this signed and dated Reduced Penalty Agreement to Litigation Counsel.
- 2. K2 will, within thirty (30) days from the date of the Penalty Order, submit to Transportation Staff a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) documenting the violation(s) and describing specific and detailed information explaining its efforts and concrete steps taken to ensure the violation(s) do not occur in the future. I understand the CAP must be approved by Transportation Staff to become eligible for the 50% reduced penalty.
- 3. K2 will, within thirty (30) days from the date of the Penalty Order, send an individual responsible for safety compliance to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar, and proof of attendance will be submitted to the Litigation Counsel.
- 4. K2 will be available within eighteen (18) months from the date of the Penalty Order for a follow-up Safety Compliance Review. Transportation Staff will contact the carrier to schedule the review.
- K2 LLC understands that if approved, an Order Amending Penalty Assessment will be issued by the Commission assessing a reduced penalty of \$325, and will set out the terms and conditions stated above. Once the Order Amending Penalty Assessment is issued by the Commission, K2 will have thirty (30) days from the date of service of that Order to pay the reduced penalty assessed.

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Dated this	day of	, 2018.		
			K2 LLC	
			Michael J. Korte Managing Member	N.W

(This Agreement can be mailed via U.S. Mail to the address above to the attention of Ahsan Latif, Litigation Counsel, or sent via e-mail to <u>v.jacobsen@kcc.ks.gov</u> and <u>alatif@kcc.ks.gov</u>.)

# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair

Jay Scott Emler Dwight D. Keen

In the Matter of the Investigation of <b>K2 LLC</b> , of	)	
Iola, KS, Regarding the Violation of the Motor	)	
Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and Regulations	)	
and the Commission's Authority to Impose	)	Docket No. 19-TRAM-210-PEN
Penalties, Sanctions and/or the Revocation of	)	
Motor Carrier Authority.	)	
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#### **PENALTY ORDER**

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

#### I. JURISDICTION

- 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,108b, 66-1,111, 66-1,112, 66-1,114, 66-1,114b and 66-1,115, the Commission is given full power, authority and jurisdiction to supervise and control motor carriers, as defined in K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,108, doing business or procuring business in Kansas, and is empowered to do all things necessary and convenient for the exercise of such power, authority and jurisdiction.
- 2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,129a, 66-1,130 and 66-1,142b, the Commission may suspend operations, revoke or amend certificates, and initiate sanctions or fines against every motor carrier and every person who violates any provision of Kansas law in regard to the regulation of such motor carriers and persons, or who fails to obey any order, decision or regulation of the Commission.

3. The Commission has the authority, pursuant to K.A.R. 82-1-237, to investigate an entity under the Commission's jurisdiction and order a hearing on the Commission's own motion when the Commission believes the entity is in violation of the law or any order of the Commission.

#### II. BACKGROUND

- 4. K2 LLC (K2) has common operating authority with the Commission and further operates under USDOT number 2791226.
- 5. Michael Korte attended a Commission-sponsored Motor Carrier Education and Safety Instructional Meeting on February 21, 2017, on behalf of K2.
- 6. K2 is a common motor carrier which primarily hauls grain, feed, hay, commodities dry bulk, drag sand, and rock.
- 7. K2 is a New Entrant motor carrier and may be eligible for a fifty-percent (50%) reduction of the penalty(s) assessed below.

#### III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 8. Pursuant to the jurisdiction and authority cited above, on October 31, 2018, Commission Staff (Staff) Special Investigator Michael Heenan conducted a compliance review of the operations of K2. A copy of the safety compliance review is attached hereto as Attachment "A" and is hereby incorporated by reference. As a result of this investigation, the special investigator identified one (1) violation(s) of the Motor Carrier Safety Regulations.
  - a. On July 23, 2018, K2 required or permitted its driver, Donald L. Puckett, to operate a CDL-required commercial motor vehicle, a 2013 Kenworth, VIN ending in 349025, GVWR 50,000 lbs., pulling a 2018 Timpte trailer, VIN ending in 157947, GVWR 65,000 lbs., in interstate commerce from

Mill Creek, Oklahoma to Kansas City, Kansas. This trip is evidenced by Driver/Vehicle Examination Report Number KSHP92100941, dated July 23, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "B" and is hereby incorporated by reference. At the time of this transportation, K2 had waited for a previous employer of driver Donald L. Puckett, to provide a drug test within six (6) months of hiring Mr. Puckett. K2 hired Mr. Puckett on June 6, 2018. The previous employer never replied with previous employment information and K2 did not get Mr. Puckett drug tested until October 15, 2018, returning a negative result. The carrier's failure to require its driver to submit to a pre-employment alcohol and/or controlled substances USDOT regulated test and to obtain a negative test result within 30 days of him/her employment and prior to requiring or permitting him/her to operate a commercial motor vehicle is a violation of 49 C.F.R. 382.301(a), adopted by K.A.R. 82-4-3c, and authorized by K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,129. Staff recommends a fine of \$650.

#### IV. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9. Based upon the available facts, Staff recommends the Commission find K2 committed one (1) violation(s) of Kansas law that governs motor carriers, including various provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs), as adopted by the Kansas Administrative Regulations, and is therefore subject to sanctions or fines imposed by the Commission.
- 10. Staff recommends a civil penalty of \$650 for one (1) violation(s) of the Motor Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and Regulations.

- 11. Staff provides notice to the Commission that K2 LLC is a New Entrant motor carrier and may be eligible for a fifty-percent (50%) reduced civil penalty. The carrier must submit to Litigation Counsel within fifteen (15) days of the date of this Penalty Order the signed and dated Reduced Penalty Agreement and Transportation Staff must approve the carrier's Corrective Action Plan (CAP).
- 12. Staff recommends K2 LLC submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) within thirty (30) days of the date of this Penalty Order, to Transportation Staff, documenting the violation(s) described in this Penalty Order, including specific and detailed information explaining the carrier's efforts and concrete steps taken to ensure the violation(s) do not occur in the future. The CAP must be approved by Transportation Staff to qualify for the fifty-percent (50%) discount.
- 13. Staff further recommends that a representative from K2 attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, and provide proof of attendance to Litigation Counsel.
- 14. Finally, Staff recommends that K2 submit to one follow-up safety compliance review within eighteen (18) months from the date of this Order. Staff will contact the motor carrier at a later date to determine an appropriate time for this review.

#### V. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 15. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction over K2 because it is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,108.
- 16. The Commission finds a penalty of \$650 should be assessed to K2 for committing one (1) violation(s) of Kansas law that governs motor carriers, including various provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs), as adopted by the Kansas

Administrative Regulations, and is therefore subject to sanctions or fines imposed by the Commission.

17. The Commission finds K2 is a New Entrant motor carrier and may be eligible for a fifty-percent (50%) reduction in the penalty(s) assessed herein.

#### THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- A. K2 LLC, of Iola, KS is hereby assessed a penalty of \$650 for one (1) violation(s) of Kansas law governing the regulation of motor carriers, the Kansas Administrative Regulations and provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, as adopted by the Kansas Administrative Regulations. Payment of \$650 must be made through your personal account with the Kansas Corporation Commission's KTRAN system located at <a href="https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/ktran/">https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/ktran/</a>. You must have an account through KTRAN to pay the penalty owed.
- B. A representative from K2 is ordered to attend a Commission-sponsored safety meeting within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, and provide proof of attendance to Litigation Counsel. A schedule of dates and locations for safety seminars can be found at the Commission's website <a href="http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/trans/safety\_meetings.htm">http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/trans/safety\_meetings.htm</a>.
- C. K2 must submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) within thirty (30) days of the date of this Penalty Order, to Transportation Staff, documenting the violation(s) described above, including specific and detailed information explaining the carrier's efforts and concrete steps taken to ensure the violation(s) do not occur in the future.
- D. K2 is ordered to submit to one follow-up safety compliance review within eighteen (18) months from the date of this Order. Transportation Staff will contact the motor carrier at a later date to determine an appropriate time for this review.

- E. If K2 does not submit the Reduced Penalty Agreement and fails to pay the penalty of \$650 within thirty (30) days from the date of service of this Penalty Order, *see* K.S.A. 66-1,105, and/or fails to comply with the provisions of this Order, the Commission will have the right to order further sanctions, including suspension of K2's motor carrier operating authority without further notice. Additionally, the Commission may issue and enforce revocation of motor carrier authority and/or issue cease and desist order(s), and may order other remedies available to the Commission by law, without further notice.
- F. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 77-537 and K.S.A. 77-542, any party may request a hearing on the above issue(s) by submitting a written request setting forth the specific grounds upon which relief is sought, within fifteen (15) days from the date of service of this Penalty Order. The request may be electronically filed with the Commission's electronic filing system at https://puc.kcc.ks.gov/e-filing/e-express/, and a copy mailed to the Litigation Counsel. If you do not have access to the internet, you can mail an original and seven copies of the request to the Secretary to the Commission, at 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604, and mail a copy to Litigation Counsel. A hearing will be scheduled only upon written request. Failure to timely request a hearing will result in a waiver of K2's right to a hearing.
- G. If a request for hearing is filed, attorneys for all parties shall enter their appearances in Commission proceedings by giving their names and addresses for the record. For civil penalties exceeding \$500, a corporation shall appear before the Commission by its attorney, unless waived by the Commission for good cause shown and a determination that such waiver is in the public interest. K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2); K.A.R. 82-1-202(a). For civil

penalties less than \$500, a corporation may appear by a duly authorized representative of the corporation. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 66-1,142b(e) and amendments thereto.

H. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders, as necessary.

#### BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Keen, Commissioner

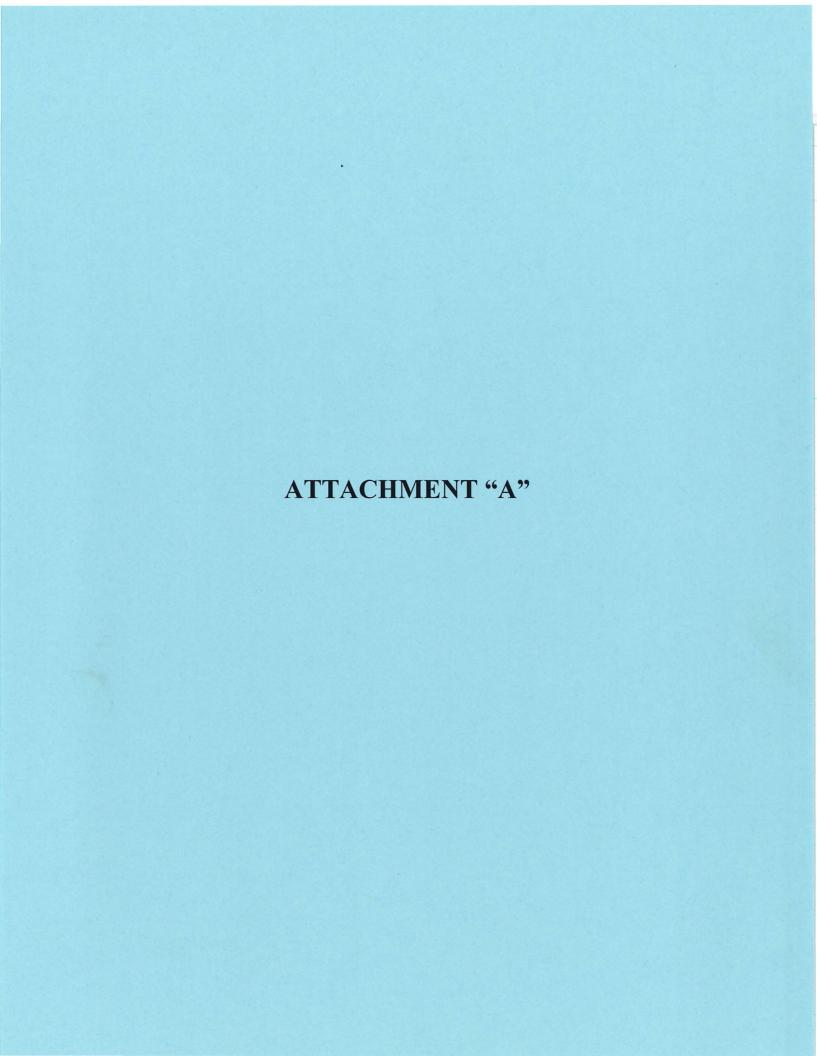
Dated:	12/04/2018	

Lynn M. Retz

Secretary to the Commission

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US DOT # Legal: K2 LLC							
2791226 Operating (DBA):							
MC/MX #: 008809 State #: 000000	MC/MX #: 008809 State #: 0000000 Federal Tax ID: (EIN)						
Review Type: Compliance Review (CR							
Scope: Principal Office	Location of Review/Audit: Company facility in the U. S. Territory: C						
Operation Types Interstate Intrastat	<del></del>						
Carrier: Non-HM Non-HM							
Shipper: N/A N/A	Gross Revenue: for year ending: 12/31/2017						
Cargo Tank: N/A							
Company Physical Address:							
IOLA, KS 66749-3976							
Contact Name: Michael J Korte							
Phone numbers: (1) 620- 228-1924	(2) Fax						
E-Mail Address: k2limitedlc@gm	· •						
Company Mailing Address:							
IOLA, KS 66749-3976							
Carrier Classification							
Authorized for Hire	Exempt for Hire						
Cargo Classification							
Grain, Feed, Hay Co	mmodities Dry Bulk Other: drag sand and rock						
Equipment							
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Is an HM Permit required?							
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< 100 Miles:	Average trip leased drivers/month: 0  Total Drivers: 4						
>= 100 Miles: 4 CDL Drivers: 4							



# **K2 LLC**U.S. DOT #: 2791226

State #: 0000000

Review Date: 10/31/2018

#### Part A

QUESTIONS regarding this report or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety or Hazardous Materials rules may be addressed to the Office of Motor Carriers at.

Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd Topeka Ks 66604 785-271-3145

This report will be used to assess your safety compliance.

Person(s) Interviewed

Name: Michael J Korte

Title: Managing Member

Name: Title:

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#### Part B Violations

1	Primary: 382.301(a)			Drivers/Vehicles	
FEDERAL		Discovered	Checked	In Violation	Checked
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#### Description

Using a driver before the motor carrier has received a negative pre-employment controlled substance test result.

#### Example

Driver name: Donald L Puckett

Trip date: 7/23/18 Hire Date: 6/6/18

Preemployment test date: 10-15-18

At the time of this trip, the carrier had waited for a previous employer to provide a drug test within 6 months of hiring the above driver. The former carrier never replied with any previous employment information, and the carrier had the dirver

tested on 10-15-18 with negative results.

Safety Fitness Rating Information:		OOS Vehicle (CR): 0
Total Miles Operated	378,000	Number of Vehicle Inspected (CR): 0
Recordable Accidents	0	OOS Vehicle (MCMIS): 0
Recordable Accidents/Million Miles 0.00		Number of Vehicles Inspected (MCMIS): 6

Your proposed safety rating is :	Rating Factors		Acute Critical		
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	Factor 2:	S	0	0	
SATISFACTORY	Factor 3:	S	0	0	
OATIOI ACTORY	Factor 4:	S	0	0	
	Factor 5:	N	0	0	
	Factor 6:	S	<b></b>	-	

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. For all Investigations:

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 Carner 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 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

FMCSA recently announced planned improvements to the Carrier Safety Measurement System (SMS) which was implemented in December 2010 as part of the Agency's broader Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) initiative. A preview of these improvements is currently available to motor carriers. The system changes are scheduled to be available to the public in July 2012. There will be additional opportunity for public comment on the changes after the preview period ends in July 2012. The improvements to SMS are based on ongoing analysis and feedback from enforcement personnel, the motor carrier industry, and other stakeholders. The changes more effectively identify and prioritize high-risk and other unsafe motor carriers for enforcement interventions designed to reduce commercial motor vehicle crashes and hazardous materials incidents. Motor carrier's currently have the ability to preview how the improvements impact their individual safety data in SMS. These improvements include: (1) Changes to the SMS methodology that identify higher risk carriers while addressing industry biases; (2) better applications of SMS results for Agency interventions by more accurately identifying safety sensitive carriers (i.e., carriers transporting people and carriers hauling hazardous materials (HM)), so that such firms can be selected for CSA interventions at more stringent levels; and, (3) more specific fact-based displays of SMS results on the SMS Web site. The data preview may be found at http://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov/. During the data preview period, the Agency requests comments on the impacts of the changes. For all Investigations that could result in a Notice of Claim:

• 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. Your signature for 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

Attached to this report is Table 1, which identifies all the documented violations which were discovered during the course of this review.

For all Investigations resulting in serious violations:

Serious violations were recorded on this investigation report. These violations will impact your safety record.



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Furthermore, these violations may result in a follow-up investigation at a later date unless adequate evidence of corrective action is forwarded to our office:

US Department of Transportation
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Kansas Division
Jeff Ellett - Division Administrator
1303 First American Place, Suite 200
Topeka, KS 66604-4040

For all Investigations where the carrier has been involved in 2 or more recordable crashes;

The Division Administrator/State Director will continue to consider preventability when a motor carrier contests a proposed safety fitness rating. The motor carrier may deem that the recordable accident rate is not a fair means of evaluating its accident factor (Factor 6) on the CR report. If so, the motor carrier must submit the compelling evidence within seven calendar days if the proposed rating is Unsatisfactory and 10 calendar days if the proposed rating is Conditional to:

US Department of Transportation Kansas Division Jeff Ellett - Division Administrator Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration 1303 First American Place, Suite 200 Topeka, KS 66604-4040

Compelling evidence must be limited to official police accident reports and official insurance accident investigation reports.

For all Investigations resulting in a proposed conditional or unsatisfactory rating:

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If you believe the proposed rating is in error and there are factual and procedural issues in dispute, Part 385.15 (copy provided) outlines procedures for petitioning the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration for an administrative review of these findings. Your petition should be addressed to:

US Department of Transportation
Jack Van Steenburg - Chief Safety Officer
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE,
Washington, DC 20590

#### 385.17

In addition, a request for a revised rating based on corrective actions may be made at any time. Part 385.17 (copy provided) outlines the procedures for such a request. The request must be made in writing, must describe the corrective action taken and must include other documentation that may be relied upon as a basis for the requested change. Address your written request to:

US Department of Transportation
Max Strathman – Midwestern Field Administrator
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
4749 Lincoln Mall Drive, Suite 300-A
Matteson, IL 60443

Ensure that a CC copy of the letter is mailed to:

US Department of Transportation Kansas Division Jeff Ellett – Division Administrator Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration 1303 First American Place, Suite 200 Topeka, KS 66604-4040



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This letter should be submitted as soon as possible.

For all Investigations that did not result in a Cooperative Safety Plan:

The KCC requires that you prepare a corrective action letter, addressing the measures taken to correct the violations identified within this report. Submit this letter within 30 days outlining the carrier's updated changes to their policies and procedures regarding all listed violations. Explain in detail how, as a carrier representative, you will rectify these deficiencies and prevent their reoccurrence going forward. Include any supporting documentation and evidence as indicated in the recommendations above, (example: vehicle inspections performed, proof of drug and alcohol testing in place, etc.) necessary to prove that corrective action has been taken. Mail the letter along with copies of your supporting evidence to:

Kansas Corporation Commission

Attn: Gary Davenport 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd Topeka, KS 66604-4027

2. For all Investigations that did not result in a Cooperative Safety Plan.

The KCC requires that you prepare a corrective action letter, addressing the measures taken to correct the violations identified within this report. Submit this letter within 30 days outlining the carrier's updated changes to their policies and procedures regarding all listed violations. Explain in detail how, as a carrier representative, you will rectify these deficiencies and prevent their reoccurrence going forward. Include any supporting documentation and evidence as indicated in the recommendations above, (example: vehicle inspections performed, proof of drug and alcohol testing in place, etc.) necessary to prove that corrective action has been taken. Mail the letter along with copies of your supporting evidence to:

Kansas Corporation Commission

Attn: Gary Davenport

1500 SW Arrowhead Rd

Topeka, KS 66604-4027

3. "I understand that monetary penalties will be assessed as a result of violations found in this compliance review. The penalty schedule can be found at this website:

http://kcc.ks.gov/trans/penalty/assessment\_table.htm"

Carrier Signature

Investigator Signature

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4. You are encouraged to review your company's safety record at the following website:

https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/login/default.asp

You will need to enter your US DOT # Personnel Identification Number (PIN) that has been provided to you by



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FMCSA in the log in form at the bottom of the page. If you have forgotten your PIN you only need to click on a link on the webpage to make a request for your PIN to be forwarded to you by U.S. mail.

Safety Improvement Resources (SIRs) is a compilation of articles, reports, and other tools designed to assist motor carriers with improving their current safety management practices. SIRs are searchable by resource number, BASIC or safety management practice (SMP). Please refer to any Safety Improvement Resource numbers included within the recommendations.

You are encouraged to view all of the SIRs at the following website: http://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/sms/Data/carrier\_sir.aspx

5. FMCSA recently announced planned improvements to the Carrier Safety Measurement System (SMS) which was implemented in December 2010 as part of the Agency's broader Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) initiative. A preview of these improvements is currently available to motor carriers. The system changes are scheduled to be available to the public in July 2012. There will be additional opportunity for public comment on the changes after the preview period ends in July 2012.

The improvements to SMS are based on ongoing analysis and feedback from enforcement personnel, the motor carrier industry, and other stakeholders. The changes more effectively identify and prioritize high-risk and other unsafe motor carriers for enforcement interventions designed to reduce commercial motor vehicle crashes and hazardous materials incidents.

Motor carrier's currently have the ability to preview how the improvements impact their individual safety data in SMS. These improvements include: (1) Changes to the SMS methodology that identify higher risk carriers while addressing industry biases; (2) better applications of SMS results for Agency interventions by more accurately identifying safety sensitive carriers (i.e., carriers transporting people and carriers hauling hazardous materials (HM)), so that such firms can be selected for CSA interventions at more stringent levels; and, (3) more specific fact-based displays of SMS results on the SMS Web site.

The data preview may be found at http://csa.fmcsa.dot.gov/. During the data preview period, the Agency requests comments on the impacts of the changes.

6. I acknowledge that these requirements and/or recommendations have been discussed with me and my questions have been answered. I understand that failure to satisfactorily remedy the above-listed requirements, and/or failure to comply with Kansas Motor Carner-Safety Statutes and Regulations could result in the suspension of [K2 LLC) operating authority and/or the impoundment of (K2 LLC) vehicles.

Carrier Signature

Investigator Signature

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## **DRIVER/VEHICLE EXAMINATION REPORT**

Query Central 3.4

Report Number: KSHP92100941

Inspection Date: 07/23/2018

ection Type:	- DriverOnly None
ONALD L	State: KS
	State:
CREEK DOL of Lading: MO go: MC DOLO	
CVSA# N	New CVSA # OOS#
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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

#### 19-TRAM-210-PEN

I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

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