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# Safety Bulletin

## August 2018



### **New! Operational Support Expands Through Night Hours**

We are pleased to announce the Driver Services/Operations Department has expanded its hours. Effective September 3, 2018 a company representative will be readily available between the hours of 5:00PM EST to 2:00AM EST Monday-Friday. The expanded hours will allow for expeditious handling of after-hour accident/claim calls, breakdowns, lumpers, etc. We are excited to roll this out to you!

Please help us welcome Ms. Sandra Vazquez to the team!

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### **Schools Are Back In Session – Use Extra Caution!**

Summer break has quickly come and gone and schools across the nation are heading back to class. Use extra caution and stay alert. The roadways will start to fill with buses, car poolers and those new teen drivers all excited to ditch that bus and drive to school this year. Be patient and allow for some delays in your travels. You are the professional driver; show them how it's done.

*As Always, Drive Safe!*



### **Your Fuel Discounts Really Add Up – Check It Out!**

By using your ComData card at TA/Petro and Pilot/Flying J Travel Centers *your average fuel discount in July was "\$0.38"!* Nice!

### **Do You Know What Your Record Looks Like?**

Visit <https://www.psp.fmcsa.dot.gov> to pull your own PSP record. The report will include crash data from the previous 5 years and inspection history from the previous 3 years. Know what's on your record. Need help? Give a Safety representative a call. We're here to help you.

### **Roadside Inspection Policy Reminder**

Roadside Inspections take place every day. No matter the outcome, please remember some basics you are required to follow per company policy.

\*All reports as well as supporting repair documentation must be forwarded within 24-48 hours from the time of inspection. Send to [eldgroup@medalliontrans.com](mailto:eldgroup@medalliontrans.com).

\*If you are ELD exempt, a copy of your log referencing the inspection on line 4 must also accompany the inspection documents.

\*All roadsides listing out-of-service violations should have repair documentation readily available as such out-of-service items are required immediate correction **prior** to the driver/equipment proceeding 396.9(c)(2).

\*All roadsides listing non out-of-service violations should have proper repair documentation available as well. 396.11(c) - Corrective Action. Prior to requiring or permitting a driver to operate a vehicle, every motor carrier or its agent shall repair any defect or deficiency listed on the DVIR which would be likely to affect the safety of operation of the vehicle. If a violation repair service is unnecessary (by means of simple repair by the driver ex. Bulb, etc.) a signed statement of repair by the driver/equipment owner shall be required.

\*All defects found throughout the day, as well as any notated on an inspection report must be listed on your DVIR.

Please note failure to provide all required documents within seven (7) days may result in disqualification until compliance is met. We appreciate your understanding.

### **Smart Trucking Tips**

No doubt, driving a rig involves a great deal of skill, loads of responsibility and good ole' common sense. Being safety conscious is vital. Remember the basics:

- \*\*Stay Alert
- \*\*Check Weather Reports
- \*\*Change lanes as little as possible
- \*\* Leave room in front of your rig
- \*\*Slow down
- \*\*Take Breaks
- \*\*Be extra cautious at night
- \*\*Keep that dash cam rolling

*Your Safety is Paramount!*

### **ComData Hotel Network Program**

Don't forget to take advantage and save money while using your ComData card for hotel stays. A minimum of 20% savings off network hotels' lowest published rates is available for you. Download the mobile app, enroll & save!