479.8 Furnishing decal and cab card for vehicle; removal; compliance by UCR motor carrier operating intrastate.

Sec. 8. (1) The commission shall furnish a decal and cab card for each vehicle that an intrastate-only motor carrier of general commodities is authorized to operate or that a motor carrier of household goods is authorized to operate under this act, in addition to the regular registration or license plates required by law. A cab card shall be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued. A decal shall be attached to a conspicuous location on the vehicle for which it was issued as directed by the commission. The commission may remove and take custody of a decal found attached to a motor vehicle for which it was not issued, or when the holder of the decal has made or is making unlawful use of the decal.

(2) A motor carrier granted intrastate authority under this act, including a UCR motor carrier operating intrastate, shall comply with all of the following:

(a) Before commencing service, the name, city, and state of the motor carrier or the registered logo or emblem of the motor carrier shall be permanently placed in a conspicuous place on both sides of all power vehicles in plain letters and in contrasting colors, with numbers not less than 3 inches in height. A vehicle that is in compliance with the requirements of the federal motor carrier safety regulations, 49 CFR parts 390 to 399, is in compliance with this subdivision.

(b) The letters "MPSC" and the account number of the motor carrier shall be placed in a conspicuous place on both sides of all power vehicles in plain letters and in contrasting colors, with numbers not less than 1.5 inches in height.

(c) Each power vehicle shall be given a separate accounting number, which shall be placed on both sides of the power vehicle in plain numbers not less than 3 inches in height and in contrasting colors.

(d) The numbers and letters described in subdivisions (a) to (c) shall remain on the vehicle only when it is operated under an active authority issued by the commission.

(e) If a motor carrier permanently removes a vehicle from operation under an authority issued by the commission, the motor carrier shall promptly remove the identification letters, numbers, and decals from the vehicle.

(f) A motor carrier that sells, trades, transfers, or otherwise disposes of an authority issued by the commission or whose authority has been denied, revoked, suspended, or temporarily discontinued shall not use its authority identification letters or numbers in advertising for its services.

(g) Except as approved by the commission, a motor carrier shall not operate a self-propelled motor vehicle under a certificate or permit issued by the commission unless there is an approved summary of the motor carrier’s operating authority. A motor carrier shall keep the summary described in this subdivision clean and legible at all times.

(h) A motor carrier shall not operate added equipment until the identification information described in subsection (1) has been issued and attached to the vehicle.