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Electronic Log (ELD) Mandate - The FMCSA rule mandating the future use of ELD's went into effect on February 16, 2016.

- Beginning **February 16, 2016**, the FMCSA will begin posting a list of certified suppliers of ELDS, as they are approved, and motor carriers may voluntarily begin using them.
- For the next 21 months, carriers/drivers may use paper logs, logging software, AOBRDs or ELD's.
- Effective **December 18, 2017**, drivers subject to the ELD mandate must begin using ELDs in place of all other logging devices; however AOBRDs that were already installed on February 16, 2016, may be used for another two years (till 2019).
- Effective **December 16, 2019**, AOBRDs users must have converted their systems to meet ELD standards.

I don't think there is any hurry here. Although I wouldn't wait until the last few months to investigate the transition. Could get crowded.

Anti-Coercion - Effective January 29, 2016, carriers, shippers, receivers, brokers and other transportation intermediaries can be fined up to \$16,000 for coercing drivers. Coercion occurs when drivers are threatened with loss of pay, employment or job opportunities for refusing to violate the safety regulations, including the Hours of Service rules. The anti-coercion rule can be found in Part 390.6 of the regulations.

Feel free to call or write if any questions. I will keep you advised of changes.