

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All U.S Local Unions

**FROM:** LaMont Byrd, Director

Safety and Health Department

**DATE:** June 7, 2016

**RE:** Final Rule – Seat Belt Use – Commercial Drivers

Please be advised that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) revised 49 CFR Part 392.16 to require operators of property-carrying commercial motor vehicles (CMV) to wear a seat belt while operating the CMV when the vehicle is equipped with a seat belt assembly. The Final Rule also requires that all passengers who are riding in the property-carrying CMV be properly restrained by a seat belt when the CMV is equipped with a seat belt assembly.

The effective date of this Final Rule is August 8, 2016. If you have questions, feel free to contact the Safety and Health Department at (202) 624-6960 or via email at <a href="mailto:IBTSafety@teamster.org">IBTSafety@teamster.org</a>.

Thank you.