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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 27, 2026
TO: President Cynthia Lee Almond
Commissioner Jeremy H. Oden
Commissioner Chris V. Beeker, III
FROM: Amanda D. Shehane, Director ~~AD&B~~
Utility Enforcement Division
SUBJECT: Agenda for the June 4, 2026, Commission Meeting

This memorandum reflects the Utility Enforcement Division’s (UED) report detailing the major tasks, inspections, and activities completed by its staff in April 2026.

RAILWAY SAFETY

The track inspection results below reflect the work of our Railway Safety (RWS) staff in the field.

Rail Carriers Visited	Regular Track Inspections	Track Defects Identified	Violations Recommended	Track Miles Inspected	Track Turnouts Inspected
6	23	64	0	220	145

The table below reflects track safety observations in which no non-compliant conditions were identified. Thirty-six roadway workers, bridge workers, and practices were observed.

Railroad Bridge Observations	Roadway Worker Protection	Roadway Maintenance Machines	Bridge Worker Safety
27	11	29	0

The data in the table below were collected from Motive Power & Equipment (MP&E) inspections performed on locomotives, freight cars, tank cars, and other railroad equipment.

Rail Carriers Visited	Regular Eqpt. Inspections	Defects Identified	Violations Recommended	Number of Units Inspected
3	9	348	0	869

The table below shows the Operating Practices (OP) inspections performed on railroad operations.

Rail Carriers Visited	Regular OP Inspections	Defects Identified	Violations Recommended	Eqpt. Securement Observed
6	13	4	0	27

The table below shows observations completed by the MP&E and OP Inspectors in which no non-compliant conditions were identified.

Air Brake Tests	Blue Flag Protection	End of Train Devices
0	1	0

The National Response Center (NRC) reported three incidents in April.

1. A trespasser strike with a fatal injury in Bessemer on NS.
2. An unoccupied vehicle strike with no injuries in Heflin on NS.
3. A semi-truck strike resulted in an Amtrak locomotive derailment and three employee injuries in St. Elmo on CSX.

There was also one complaint reported via telephone or email in April.

1. A complaint of trespasser activities on railroad property that included walking on the tracks, riding ATVs along the track, and flying drones along the track on BNSF in Quinton.

The alleged activity in the complaint was reported to railroad officials, and the complainant was made aware that the information was passed along and that any follow-up activity would be conducted by the railroad or law enforcement.

MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES

The Motor Carrier Services (MCS) staff accomplished the following regarding state authority to operate as a motor carrier in Alabama with proof of insurance coverage:

Vehicle Registration Nos.	Intrastate Applications		NOL Processed/ Closed Intra Applications	Under Legal Division Review	New Authority Approved	Motor Carrier Authority Inquiries		
	Processed	Returned				Phone	E-mails	Others
15	11	0	1	12	6	75	131	19

MCS staff members handled the tasks shown below regarding insurance coverage, prepared correspondence that challenged incorrect filings, and addressed related inquiries:

Insurance Filings Received	Revocation Orders	Reinstatement Orders	Miscellaneous Actions	Letters Sent	Insurance Inquiries	
					Phone	E-mails
320	30	13	1	30	73	103

The MCS Section addressed the following Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) responsibilities:

UCR Applications		UCR Mailouts for 2026	UCR Audit Correspondence	UCR Inquiries	
Received	Returned			Phone	E-mail
1	0	146	28	40	7

As of April 30th, 7,925 Alabama carriers (86%) were registered for the 2026 UCR, leaving 1,251 unregistered. Our office received funds from the UCR Depository for March online payments processed through the National Registration System (NRS) from 375 carriers domiciled in Alabama and non-participating states.

Our office received 25 For Non-Profit (FNP) quarterly reports for the first quarter of 2026 and two for the fourth quarter of 2025 during the month.

A total of forty-six 2025 annual reports were received from household goods and passenger carriers.

In April, two tariffs were rejected for formatting and rate issues: a passenger tariff for **M.E.R.C.Y Int LLC (C4201)** and a household goods tariff for **1st Choice Trucking LLC (pending)**. Four tariffs were received and accepted: a passenger tariff for **Sow Enterprise LLC dba Sow Auto Black Car (C4196)**, a passenger tariff for **Lake Martin Lift, LLC (C4198)**, a passenger tariff for **Prestige Limousine Service, Inc. (C3652 & C3973)**, and a household goods tariff for **A&J Management Group, Inc. dba Pink Zebra Moving of Huntsville**.

Staff participated in three passenger carrier hearings held during April for:

- **People's Ride Transit Services LLC**
- **Reach Auto Shop Mid-South Apparel & Bargain Barn Inc.**
- **Sweetie's Homecare Inc**