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legal notice of suit to recover being filed by the shipper.

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§ 375.19 Use of charge card plans.

Motor common carriers of household goods, as defined in 49 CFR 375.1(b)(1), may provide in their tariffs for the acceptance of charge cards for the payment of freight charges whenever shipments are transported under agreements and tariffs requiring payment by cash, certified check or money order. Payment by charge card shall be considered the same as payment by cash, certified check or money order. Any tariff rule or item permitting the acceptance of charge cards shall identify the charge card plans participated in by the carrier.

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Subpart A—General Applicability and Definitions

§ 376.1 Applicability.

The regulations in this part apply to the following actions by motor carriers registered with the Secretary to transport property:

- (a) The leasing of equipment with which to perform transportation regulated by the Secretary.
- (b) The leasing of equipment to motor private carrier or shippers.
- (c) The interchange of equipment between motor common carriers in the performance of transportation regulated by the Secretary.

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§ 376.2 Definitions.

- (a) *Authorized carrier*. A person or persons authorized to engage in the transportation of property as a motor carrier under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 13901 and 13902.
- (b) Equipment. A motor vehicle, straight truck, tractor, semitrailer, full trailer, any combination of these and any other type of equipment used by authorized carriers in the transportation of property for hire.
- (c) Interchange. The receipt of equipment by one motor common carrier of property from another such carrier, at a point which both carriers are authorized to serve, with which to continue a through movement.
- (d) Owner. A person (1) to whom title to equipment has been issued, or (2) who, without title, has the right to exclusive use of equipment, or (3) who has lawful possession of equipment registered and licensed in any State in the name of that person.
- (e) Lease. A contract or arrangement in which the owner grants the use of equipment, with or without driver, for a specified period to an authorized carrier for use in the regulated transportation of property, in exchange for compensation.