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The company I work for has put Qual-Coms on all/most of their trucks. They have issues. Power surges, pointer getting stuck on screen, keys sticking, etc..... Company told it's drivers that it cost 2500.00 per Qual-Com. That is crazy when you think about small trucking companies having to come up with that, especially farming companies. I am against it for numerous reasons one being small business's taking a hit, one being that equipment is not infallible (can not always be counted on to work, (then paper logs have to be used any way) and the final reason I am against it is that the company I work for now has only used Qual-Coms to harass drivers. They have added safety features for over speeds (Going over the companies allowed speed /which is not the same as the posted speed limit.) They have added a computer mechanism that they believe will inform them of a change in g-force, or shift in a load. I have been assured that wind has nothing to do with this feature but I can't believe that to be probable. The company I work for uses this to put drivers on a safety hold which can be indefinite, to starve a driver out so that they have to seek employment else where. It can be as simple as someone at the terminal not liking you, and not everyone is treated the same regarding these issues. Not good for anyone, especially drivers.

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