

CAM NEWSLETTER, JUNE 2, 1998

A New Newsletter

CAM proudly announces the inauguration of its new newsletter, **Movers' Edge**. It is a bulletin in which members can read about events and news in the moving industry, government, and our association. We will accept any newsworthy contributions.

Weight as a Basis for Payment

We asked for your input in February as to what the most appropriate measurement was for moves and received well considered responses from across Canada, and from a supplier-member in Malaysia. The responses included votes for both weight and cube. The objective was to find an unequivocal and fair measure for charging the customer. The need was originally driven by government contract and a group initiative was ended by the Competition Bureau. The same results are being attempted through one-on-one discussion.

Hours-of-Service Regulations

Brian Orrbine of Transport Canada spoke at a CAM roundtable on March 11 and laid out the options for the new Hours-of-Service regulations being developed by the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA). Based on the discussion at this event and subsequently with CAM members, the CAM office prepared a position paper and submitted it to Transport Canada.

David Long and John Levi represented CAM at a CCMTA meeting in Ottawa on April 27. Attendees included other transportation-related associations, federal and provincial government agencies and the US Federal Highway Administration. The complete set of regulations is under consideration including the duty cycle options (60 hours in 7 days, 70/8 and 120/14) and a 24-hour cycle versus the current 23-hour one (15 hours on duty, 8 hours off). A new feature being considered is the 36-hour reset. When a driver takes a 36-hour off-duty period, his logbook is returned to zero hours worked.

A device which measures a driver's fatigue level and fitness to work is currently being evaluated as an alternative to the current duty cycles. We are awaiting the minutes from that meeting and further information from CCMTA on the direction contemplated.

Events

CAM has presented several seminars in the last few months. These include:

- **How Industry-Specific Software Can Assist the Mover in Canada** - Bill Brackner
- Bluebird Business Solutions

- **Hours-of-Work Amendments - Impact on the Moving Industry** - Brian Orrbine - Transport Canada & CCMTA
- **Demystifying Relocation Management Companies** - Bruce Atyeo - HFS Mobility Services
- **The Future of Government Contracts with the Moving Industry** - Ken Janes - Central Removal Service & Andrew Pierce - DND furniture and Effects Policy

Each one of the presentations provided movers with valuable information on where their industry is going, the forces driving it, and how to improve operational efficiency and profitability. All speakers received excellent reviews from the attendees.

Moving Consultants Course

CAM will be working with the AMSA to produce a Certified Moving Consultant's course. CAM will meet with the staff of the AMSA in Toronto on June 10 to discuss amendments to the course for the needs of the Canadian mover and the possible addition of a section on information technology.

Upcoming Events

The 1998 Annual Conference will be held on November 23 and 24 at the Bristol Place Hotel in Toronto. The 1997 Conference was a success with a broad range of speakers who updated the members on everything from the Internet to Profitability to ISO 9000 Certification. New members were added to the Board of Directors and to the membership committee. This year we are looking forward to our third successful Conference. Your input is needed.

Membership Directory

The 1998 Membership Directory is in its final editing stages. We will have the page proofs in the next few days and will be doing the final edit. You should see your copies in July. This year we have only included member firms. You will see a significant increase in the number of overseas members and suppliers.

Bottom Line

It's new; it's yours; use it; help us keep it going - contribute a news item!

E-mail to admin@mover.net

CAM NEWSLETTER, JULY 2, 1998

Membership Directory

The Membership Directory will be mailed in the next few days. It includes 208 membership listings, and was well supported by advertisers. Listings of non-members were not included. The listings for suppliers/affiliates have been expanded and we have added international members in Bermuda, France, India, Malaysia and United Kingdom.

Identity Kit

CAM has designed an identity kit, which is intended to make you more visible to your customers. The kit is being mailed with the Membership Directory. It includes a framed membership certificate, decals for your front door and your vehicles, and a sheet of logos to be used for printing. Logos in digital formats, suitable for your PCs, MACs and websites, may be downloaded from our [website](#).

American Moving and Storage Association

CAM members (Denis Frappier and Scott Naylor) and association staff (David Long and John Levi) met with staff of the American Moving and Storage Association (AMSA) in mid June to discuss how the two organizations can work together to the advantage of their respective memberships. CAM is now a member of AMSA and vice versa. This means that we as an organization will be better plugged in to what is happening in the US and they in Canada. Information will be exchanged for each organization's newsletter.

Certified Moving Consultant's Course

CAM has entered into an agreement with the AMSA to exclusively administer and distribute the Certified Moving Consultant's course in Canada, as well as to add Canadian content. The course has been distributed to the directors of CAM for their input and should be ready for distribution in October or November. CAM will be assisting AMSA on July 7 when we act as "proctors" for three Mackie Moving employees who will be taking the exam.

The line in last month's bulletin should have read: "CAM will be working with AMSA to produce a Certified Moving Consultant's course", not a Certified Management Consultant's course.

Year 2000 Computer Problems

Finance Minister Paul Martin announced tax relief for small and medium-sized business in addressing the Year 2000 computer compliance problem. Under the tax relief, accelerated capital cost allowance (CCA) deductions of up to \$50,000 will be provided to small and medium-sized firms for computer hardware and software acquired to replace systems that are not Year 2000 compliant. The Year 2000 compliance problem is a design flaw in

software applications that could play havoc when the calendar changes from 1999 to 2000. An accelerated CCA deduction will be provided to firms on the cost of computer hardware and software acquired between January 1, 1998 and June 30, 1999. Accelerated CCA deductions combined with regular CCA claims will result in 100% of the cost of eligible expenditures being deductible in the year of acquisition.

Hour of Service Regulations

The CAM office has a copy of the minutes from the April 28 - 29 Hours of Service Working Group meeting organized by the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA). As a full participant on the working group, CAM has been asked to keep confidential those discussions as "no final positions or consensus had been reached on any of the issues." Chairman Derek Sweet (Transport Canada) has noted that "although considerable progress has been made, further consultation and analysis will be required before changes to the regulations are proposed."

Truck Inspection Results Best This Decade

The Ontario Trucking Association reports that the percentage of trucks taken out of service during the recent three-day annual truck inspection blitz for failure to comply with all maintenance standards, is the lowest it has been this decade. The OTA also reports that the 1996 results indicate a 25% decrease in fatal truck-related crashes since 1998.

Golf Tournament

CAM's 1998 Annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15 at the Cardinal Golf Club just north of Toronto. Registration forms will be faxed out to you shortly. Get a foursome together and attend.

Bottom Line

It's new; it's yours; use it; help us keep it going - contribute a news item! Give a copy to a non-member and encourage them to join.

CAM NEWSLETTER, AUGUST 1, 1998

Hours of Service

The issue of Hours of Service was one of the items on the agenda at the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) Annual Meeting in Victoria, May 31 - June 3, 1998. The following decisions were taken:

- Transport Canada will hire a consultant to assess the various options being discussed and meet with the stakeholders. The consultant's report is expected next fall.
- In view of the complexity of the issue, the CCMTA project group mandate has been extended until Spring 1999 in order to complete the regulatory options.
- With respect to a Fatigue Management Pilot Program, a national pilot would not be feasible at this time but it was anticipated that a pilot program will still be initiated in Alberta.

Quebec - Bill 430

The Quebec legislature adopted Bill 430 setting the foundation for new and comprehensive commercial vehicle safety regulations. It requires all commercial operators to be registered and rated with the province. The deadline for registration is August 1, 1999. Registration can be denied based on a carrier's safety record.

Ontario - Vehicle Impoundment

In November 1998, Ontario will become the sixth province to implement a vehicle impoundment program for drivers caught driving while suspended. Vehicle owners, regardless of whether they were driving the vehicle, will be held responsible and will be required to pay all costs related to the impoundment. In Ontario, in 1996, there were 37,000 mandatory suspensions. The number of drivers currently under suspension by licence class are: A - 1,123, C - 79, D - 2,420, G - 31,847.

David Long, CAM's Executive Director, was present at the July 15th Vehicle Impoundment Program (Driving while suspended) hosted by MOT. Industry has raised concerns related to implied responsibility directed at a lessor and immediate impoundment procedures that appear not to allow reasonable exemptions. CAM will be represented at the next meeting scheduled for August 10.

New Parliamentary Secretary

Dr. Stan Dromisky is the new Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Transport, the Hon David Collenette. Dr. Dromisky is the Member of Parliament for Thunder Bay - Atikokan. As Parliamentary Secretary, he will play a role in the introduction of new legislation.

Kyoto Agreement on the Environment

As a direct consequence of the Kyoto Agreement on the Environment and in response to climate change, Transport Canada has organized a Climate Change Transportation Table. David Long has a seat at this Table. It is made up of 26 members and co-chaired by Pollution Probe, one of the environmental lobby groups. Similar Tables have been set up in other industry sectors. The Table will produce recommendations to assist Canada to meet its Kyoto commitments. Transport Canada issued two calls for proposals for studies on the issue of climate change:

- Highway Vehicle Emissions and Highway Investments
- Road Pricing and Climate Change - Phase 1: Needs Assessment

Membership Directory

The CAM membership directory was mailed out to all members together with certificates and identification stickers. The CAM identity program is receiving high marks from members.

Certified Moving Consultants Course

Four sections from the CMC manual have currently being reviewed by CAM officials in our partnership with AMSA. More will be assigned as they are received.

- Historical Overview - Peter Naylor
- Claims and Mover's Liability - Denis Frappier
- Understanding the Tariff - Allen Taylor
- Selling the Essentials - Scott Naylor

Ontario's Repair and Storage Liens Act

The CAM office has the most recent copy of the act. Photocopies of sections are available upon request.

Golf Tournament - Change of date to September 28

Because of the Canadian Employers Relocation Council (CERC) meeting on September 15, CAM's Annual Golf Tournament will held on September 28, further details will follow. Get your foursomes together now.

CAM NEWSLETTER, SEPTEMBER 1, 1998

Canadian Employee Relocation Council (CERC)

The CERC will meet on September 15 in Toronto. The CERC's Government Relations Committee is responsible for evaluating Federal and provincial legislation related to relocation. It recommends specific action and strategy with legislative changes. The committee communicates the Council's concerns to appropriate government departments. Specific areas in the 1998 Federal Budget include taxation ramifications of compensation to employees related to moves, mortgage interest subsidies, reimbursement of mortgage interest, below-market loans and subsidized loans.

Sulphur in Fuel

A government working group made up of federal and provincial representatives published its report on sulphur in gasoline and diesel fuel. Sulphur in fuel is a significant contributor to air pollution. The group recommended new standards of 30 ppm of sulphur in fuel on an annual average basis. The group presented two options:

1. Effective in Quebec and southern Ontario by 2002 and the remainder of Canada by 2005
2. Effective in all of Canada by 2002

Copies of the report are available from Environment Canada at 819-997-1221.

Vehicle Impoundment Program / Driving While Suspended

On November 1, 1998, Ontario will impound any vehicle where the driver is found to have a suspended licence. The impoundment could last from 2 to 90 days. David Long and John Levi represented CAM at the meetings related to the implementation of the program. They raised strong objections with the Ministry of Transport and the Minister related to the ability of a carrier, who practises due diligence in the monitoring of its drivers, to know in a timely fashion when it has a suspended driver. They offered three solutions to improve the ability of a carrier to know its driver status:

1. The Ministry would maintain a list of drivers and carriers, and notify a carrier when it had a suspended driver
2. The Ministry would provide each carrier with a list of suspended drivers on a regular basis
3. CAM would maintain a list of suspended drivers on its website. Members could search the website to determine driver status.

Certified Moving Consultants Course

CAM is working with the American Moving and Storage Association to update the Canadian content of the CMC course. To date, we have received four sections of the course and have assigned them to several volunteers who are updating them. In accordance with its agreement with the AMSA, CAM has already supervised the CMC examinations of several Canadian movers.

CAM's 1998 Annual Conference

The 1998 Annual Conference is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, November 23 - 24, 1998 at the Wyndham Bristol Place Hotel in Toronto. Watch for your brochure in the mail shortly. We have another great line-up of speakers.

This will be CAM's third Annual Conference since the founding conference in 1996. Our executive and board of directors have done a great job in getting CAM re-established, but some of their terms are near completion. At this conference we will be holding elections to complete the executive and the board of directors. You will receive information on nominations in October; think about who in our industry should be on the governing body of this progressive industry association.

CAM's 1999 Membership Campaign

The membership campaign for 1999 will begin in a few weeks. Information packages and 1999 Membership invoices will be mailed to members and past members. It is time to show your commitment to your industry association. We have accomplished a lot as a group in the last few years, but we need your support to continue representing the industry and doing all the things that are in our mandate.

Golf Tournament - September 28

The Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 28 at the Cardinal Golf Club. Get your foursomes together and register now. Information forms have been mailed and faxed to you. Don't miss this exciting event! Contact Sharon McKenna in the CAM offices if you are willing to donate a prize or sponsor a hole.

News Items

Don't forget that this is your newsletter. If you know of any newsworthy event, let us know.

CAM NEWSLETTER, OCTOBER 1, 1998

CAM's 1998 Annual Conference

The 1998 Annual Conference will be held on November 23 and 24 in Toronto. The first draft of the agenda is attached. Check out the speakers who can add value to the things you do. The Annual General Meeting will include an election of officers. Put your name up for office. Nominate someone. Participate. Speakers and topics will include:

- Rick Eggleton, Bank of Montreal - Economic Overview
- Pat Jennings, AMSA - Certified Moving Consultants course
- Harold Johnson, BDO Dunwoody - Financial Planning
- Andrew Pierce, DND - Government Contracts
- Jim Lockington, Royal LePage - Third-Party Relocation Companies
- Nick Seiersen, KPMG - Customer Service
- Robin Sharma - Leadership Wisdom

Our keynote speaker at dinner on November 24 will be Ken Dryden of Toronto Maple Leafs, Montréal Canadiens and Team Canada fame, discussing his view of team building.

CAM's 1998 Annual Golf Tournament

Forty-five hearty golfers enjoyed the sunshine and the breeze at our 1998 Annual Tournament. The tournament was sponsored by AMJ Campbell/Frappier Group, Clover Insurance, Domestic Moving & Storage, Graham Neal Insurance Brokers, L. Hansen's Forwarding, Great Canadian Van Lines, Rawlinson Moving & Storage and Southern Auto Transport. Many prizes were donated by suppliers and movers. Darrell Powell won the longest drive contest and Mike McWilliams won closest to the pin. Phil Singleton had the best score and took home the Past President's trophy and a golf bag donated by Atlas Van Lines.

US Hours-of-Service Proposal

Indications are that the US Federal Highway Administration will shift the focus from the number of hours worked in a given period to the amount and quality of sleep the driver gets. The maximum on-duty time would be 14 hours followed by 10 hours off. The FHWA is also considering a nighttime differential, and a required 31 or 32 hour reset (two sleep cycles) period at the end of any one or two-week cycle. This parallels some of the thinking at a recent seminar held by Transport Canada and some of the proposals presented by Canadian industry associations. (Source: OTA Fax News)

Québec Bill 430

Bill 430 is now official introducing a registration system for commercial vehicle owners and operators. Registration forms must be sent to the Commission des transport du Québec

(CTQ) who will then assign a safety rating to each owner and operator based on the information on the form. Failure to obtain a rating by April 1, 1999 means that the operator will not be able to operate a commercial vehicle in Québec.

Tax Relief for Small Business - Y2K compliance

A reminder: Finance Minister Paul Martin announced earlier this year that there will be tax relief for small and medium-sized companies to address the Year 2000 computer compliance problems. Accelerated capital cost allowance deductions of up to \$50,000 will be provided for hardware and software acquired to replace systems that are not Y2K compliant. Some small firms have decided to have system audits done to ensure that there are no pending problems with "embedded technology."

Transportation Table

As previously noted, David Long has a seat at Transport Canada's Climate Change Transportation Table. The environmental issue will generate more R&D in the next year or so as the Federal government has committed \$13 million to support the Issues Tables, including Transportation. The Tables are being asked to identify opportunities for early actions, develop options and look at possible implementation. Work is to be completed by mid-1999.

Certified Moving Consultants Course

CAM has entered into discussions with Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) to determine whether there can be financial assistance for the revamping of the Moving Consultant's Course being undertaken jointly with AMSA. David Long will be meeting formally with HRDC officials in the next two weeks

Pay Equity

The Government of Canada decided to take the following actions regarding the pay equity issue for federal employees:

- Appeal the Tribunal's ruling given legal flaws in the ruling and inconsistency with Federal and Supreme Court decisions
- Move immediately through negotiations to implement pay equity in the new collective agreement
- Undertake a review of the law on pay equity

The potential cost of the Tribunal ruling is \$5 billion.

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1998 Annual Conference Program (DRAFT)

Monday & Tuesday, November 23 & 24, 1998
Wyndham Bristol Place Hotel, Toronto

Monday, November 23

07:45 - 09:00

Board of Directors meeting

08:00 - 09:00

Registration desk opens

09:00 - 09:15

Welcome

09:15 - 10:30

Leadership Wisdom, Robin Sharma

10:30 - 10:45

Break

10:45 - 12:00

Customer Service: What it is. How you get it.

Nick Seiersen, KPMG Business Transformation Services

12:00 - 13:30

Lunch

13:30 - 15:30

Government Forum

- **Vehicle Impoundment**
To be announced, Ministry of Transportation of Ontario
- **Government Contracts**
Major Andrew Pierce, Furniture & Effects Policy, Department of National Defense

15:30 - 15:45

Break

15:45 - 16:30
Financial Planning
Harold Johnson, BDO Dunwoody

Tuesday, November 24

09:00 - 10:15
Rick Eggleton, Bank of Montreal

10:15 - 10:30
Break

10:30 - 12:00
Jim Lockington, Royal LePage

12:00 - 13:30
Lunch

13:30 - 14:45
CAM's progress in 1998

- **Pat Jennings, Vice President, Programs & Services, AMSA**
- **Denis Frappier, Chairman**
- **David Long, Executive Director**

14:45 - 15:00
Break

15:00 - 16:30
Annual General Meeting

18:00
Chairman's Reception

19:00
Chairman's Dinner

20:00
Ken Dryden, Toronto Maple Leafs, Team Building

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CAM's 1998 Annual Conference Toronto, November 23 - 24, 1998

Last month, we sent you a Conference brochure and the program both by fax and mail. Before the fax was completely sent, or the glue was dry on the envelopes, we started to receive our first registrations. Don't miss this great information and networking opportunity. We'll look at leadership, customer service and financial planning, as well as government contracts and the relocation services industry. Then, on Tuesday evening, Ken Dryden, one of Canada's leading sports figures, will address the association on team building. The conference has something for everyone to take home: management techniques, profitability and cost-effectiveness enhancers, industry outlooks, association news, and perhaps just a little bit of fun. Check it out on the web at www.mover.net. Fax or e-mail us, and tell us you are coming.

Certified Moving Consultants Course

CAM has circulated six chapters of the newly updated Certified Moving Consultant (CMC) course to members of the board for comment, editing and the addition of Canadian content. The remaining three chapters will be distributed as they become available. The new CMC course will then be amended to reflect these changes.

Canadian *Firearms Act*

The regulations to implement the new ***Firearms Act*** came into effect on October 1st, 1998. They apply specifically to all Canadian carriers engaged in the transportation of firearms. A guide to the ***Firearms Act*** may be obtained from the Canadian Firearms Centre (CFC) enquiry line at 1-800-731-4000, by e-mail at canadian.firearms@justicex400.gc.ca or on the [web](#).

Hours of Service

Last spring, CAM participated in Transport Canada's effort to modernize the Hours-of-Service regulations. Several proposed solutions remain on the table. A few elements of interest to movers include a "reset" period of 36 hours (or more) after which a driver's hours in service return to zero, and new combinations of on-duty and off-duty time which add up to 24 hours, so that the work cycle now agrees with the clock, and remains constant from day to day.

Truck Safety

In the House of Commons, Federal transport minister, David Collenette, tabled a report on commercial vehicle safety in Canada that confirms what trucking associations across Canada have been saying for the past decade - truck safety is improving despite the fact

that adoption of the National Safety Code (NSC) for trucks has been plagued by provincial inconsistency.

The report, prepared by Transport Canada, looked at commercial vehicle safety for the years 1985 to 1995 and, according to David Bradley of the Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA), "trucks as a group are the safest vehicles on the road."

Tax Changes

Recent news from Michigan indicates that all businesses operating in Michigan may be subject to the Single Business Tax (SBT). Revenue Administrative Bulletin (RAB) 98-1 lists the activities that are subject to SBT, and CAM can obtain this for you. In addition, a growing number of states (New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio, South Carolina, Massachusetts) have begun or increased action regarding collection of what are known as franchise taxes, gross receipts taxes or single business taxes. CAM will monitor these actions which amount to double taxation in some instances.

1999 Membership Campaign

The campaign for the 1999 membership year has begun in earnest. In late October, we mailed you an 1998 Annual Conference brochure, information on the association and an invoice for 1999 membership. There are some important activities that CAM has to do in 1999 including:

- Representing movers in various government forums - vehicle impoundment, hours of service, government contracts
- Ensuring that we have true coast-to-coast representation as well as world-wide recognition
- Making our logo a recognized mark of quality

Ensure your fellow movers are aware of the association and the importance of its work.

News Items

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CAM NEWSLETTER, DECEMBER 1, 1998

CAM's 1998 Annual Conference Toronto, November 23 - 24, 1998

The 1998 Annual Conference was a great success. Everyone got value from the speakers' presentations and there was good participation in the Annual General Meeting. On average, the approval rating for speakers was 4.4 (on a scale of 1 to 5) and 4.5 for overall satisfaction.

- Robin Sharma kicked off the event with a meaty and imaginative talk on leadership in business.
- Nick Seiersen (KPMG) observed that moving was one of the most stressful events in a person's life and he emphasized the importance of responding well to customer needs.
- Andrew Pierce (Department of National Defense) brought us up to date on the status of the bidding process for performing government moves.
- Calvin Anstey (Workplace Safety & Insurance Board) showed members of CAM the new face of workers' compensation, one which puts the emphasis on safety, prevention and getting the worker back to work.
- Harold Johnson (BDO Dunwoody) laid out some of the basics for financial planning in an industry with very seasonal cash flows. He presented some strategies and methods for working with a bank to smooth out some of the low periods.
- Rick Egelton (Bank of Montreal) presented a forecast for the world's economy in 1999 and the effects that it will have on the business climate in Canada.
- MaryScott Tuck (American Moving and Storage Association) talked about the progress of the Certified Moving Consultant's course and CAM's role in developing the Canadian content and distribution for it.
- Lisa Vescio (Ministry of Transportation of Ontario) presented the MTO's Vehicle Impoundment Program, its origins, objectives, regulations and the impact on the transportation industry. She handled a heated discussion with a great deal of tact and understanding.
- Jim Lockington (Royal LePage Relocation Services) took the members through a history of the relocation industry and his view of its future, one in which larger relocation companies work with quality movers to deliver moving services.
- Ken Dryden (Toronto Maple Leafs) closed the Conference with a moving and insightful speech on his observations of how a team works in an athletic

environment and how those lessons apply to the building of a team in any type of business.

CAM appreciates the efforts of all the speakers who made this a quality program.

Annual General Meeting

At the Annual General Meeting, members were presented with the "state of the association" reports from the Chairman, Executive Director and Treasurer. In summary, the reports indicate CAM has built a foundation for its future and has resources in place to continue into 1999, BUT it needs the support of the members and a concerted effort to build the membership in Canada. The executive and directors for 1999 are as follows:

Chairman: Paul Van Remortel
Vice Chairman: Randy Hoyt
Treasurer: Howard Bigham
Secretary: Darrell Powell
Past Chairman: Denis Frappier

Directors:

Graham Acreman
Talal Agha
Scott Hickling
Brad Krulicki
Martin LeDrew
Jacques Leroux
Richard Lortie
John Muise
Larry Rosenberg

Update on Recent Legislation

In her speech at CAM's conference, Lisa Vescio (MTO) reminded the membership that the scheduled implementation date for the Vehicle Impoundment Program had been moved to February 1999. To allay some fears, she stated that freight could be offloaded from an impounded vehicle, only the tractor of a tractor-trailer unit would be impounded and that carriers practising "due diligence" would feel little impact from the program.

Tractor Trailer Safety

Just to make you feel good, the OTA reports that in a 1992 to 96 study, Transport Canada rates tractor trailers and their drivers as the safest vehicles on the road with 1.8% of the 1.1 million accidents in the period. Further the number has been dropping since 1994.

Hours of Service

The Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) is reviewing options for the hours-of-service rules. The next meeting is scheduled for mid January 1999. Following agreement on the revised rules, the National Safety Council standard will be reviewed to put it in sync with any new rules.