

NOTICE #09/12

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Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement AMENDMENT

Commercial Transport Department

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To All Permit Issuers, Industry and the General Public

Amendment - Postponement of the Scheduled Trailer Weight Reductions

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to advise and notify the trucking industry of Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement's (CVSE) intent to defer the enactment of the scheduled trailer weight reductions until December 31, 2013. This deferral applies to commercial vehicles covered under section 7.26 and appendices F, H and I of the Commercial Transport Regulations, including tridem hayrack semi-trailers.

An evaluation was undertaken in fall of 2012 to determine if proposed changes to commercial vehicle weight allowances would have a "direct and measurable" safety benefit to the industry. Including the potential safety benefits that might be achieved with a reduced trailer weight allowance and the consequent economic costs associated with the reduction. CVSE also engaged industry consultation on the potential effects on the trucking industry.

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure continues to assess the information received and in order to make an informed decision has decided to postpone any proposed weight reductions pending further analysis of the information collected.

CVSE will continue to inform industry of any proposed changes and impacts to industry and subsequent allowances for adjustment of current practices.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notification, please contact Brian G. Murray, Director of Commercial Vehicle Safety Enforcement Branch at 250-953-4024 or by e-mail at Brian.Murray@gov.bc.ca.

Yours truly,

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