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To All Designated Inspection Facilities

Re: Reflective Tape on Trailers

Changes have been made to the British Columbia *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations* to mandate the retrofitting of trailers with reflective tape on commercial trailers built before January 24, 1997.

1. Commercial trailers with a width of 2.05m (80 in.) and wider and a GVWR over 4,536 (10,000 lbs) built **AFTER** December 1, 1993, be retrofitted with reflective tape by **January 1, 2000**.
2. Commercial trailers with a width of 2.05m (80 in.) and wider and a GVWR over 4,536 (10,000 lbs) built **BEFORE** December 1, 1993, be retrofitted with reflective tape by **January 1, 2002**.
3. The retrofit must be in compliance with the approved standard established by the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada). Conspicuity treatment is included in Standard 108 of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations*.

Attached for your information is a copy of Order in Council # 1614, dated December 3, 1999, which enacted this amendment to mandate the retrofitting of reflective tape on commercial trailers. Also attached is a colour information sheet, which describes the basic CMVSS Standard 108 requirements for reflective tape application.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Compliance Manager in your area.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed by Ben Mikkelsen*

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