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**Industry Advisory
CTS Licence Requirements**

The Office of the BC Container Trucking Commissioner (“OBCCTC”) will be issuing an amended CTS Licence (“Licence”) which will be effective on December 1, 2022. The Licence will include a prohibition on untagged, off-dock container trucking services. This has been stated in the CTS Licence Amendments Consultation Report.

The *Container Trucking Act* (the “Act”) is intended to regulate on-dock and off-dock container trucking services in the Lower Mainland (container trucking services that require access to marine terminals at some stage). “Containers” moved to and from rail facilities in the Lower Mainland are regulated by the Act. This means that they must be carried out by licensees using tagged trucks and that they attract the regulated rates.

The Act makes it an offence to carry out prescribed container trucking services in the Lower Mainland without a CTS Licence. Both on and off-dock container trucking services are to be completed by licensed companies using tagged trucks. Licensees must pay truck drivers the Commissioner’s rates for both on and off-dock container trucking services.

Sections 6.3 and 6.15 of the amended Licence prohibits a licensee from subcontracting with an unlicensed company and/or using untagged trucks to perform container trucking services in an area which is prescribed in the *Container Trucking Regulation* (the “Regulation”) (section 2(2)) as the Lower Mainland.

Licensees must discontinue subcontracting with an unlicensed company and/or the use of untagged trucks to perform container trucking services. The OBCCTC will begin pursuing enforcement of the existing regulatory structure upon the effective date of the amended CTS Licence.

Sincerely,

OFFICE OF THE BC CONTAINER TRUCKING COMMISSIONER

Glen MacInnes
Commissioner