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Canada's transportation ministers approve changes to trucking regulations and the National Safety Code

WHITEHORSE—Federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Transportation and Highway Safety endorsed changes to regulations for commercial heavy trucks, as well as updates to the National Safety Code (NSC), at the conclusion of the Transportation Association of Canada annual conference in Montreal, Quebec on October 1.

"The continued harmonization and standardizing of regulations across Canada will make shipping to and from Yukon more efficient," Minister of Highways and Public Works Wade Istchenko said. "The changes to the National Safety Code will improve the safety of drivers and support an ongoing commitment to ensuring that Canada and Yukon roads are among the safest in the world."

Ministers approved three recommendations by the National Task Force on Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Policy. These amendments are in line with the renewal of the Agreement on Internal Trade that Canada's premiers agreed to on August 29, 2014, and will contribute to trade across Canada's borders.

These measures will support the safe and efficient movement of goods by improving fuel efficiency; reducing greenhouse gas emissions and providing greater flexibility for shippers travelling across provincial and territorial boundaries.

Ministers also approved updates to the NSC which sets out inspection criteria for trucks, trailers and buses, to be implemented by each government.

Collaboration among governments is critical to building safe and efficient transportation networks that support communities and grow local, regional and national economies.

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