The Ministry of Immigration and career training has reached out to the STA directly to offer hosting a webinar for STA Members on all the new government programs available to help you as an individual and your business. ICT is working with other industries and have hosted webinars already. The Webinar is not a one-size-fits-all and can be tailored to our needs. Representatives from Service Canada, ESDC, etc., would be available on the webinar to help answer any questions you may have. ICT has made the trucking industry a priority and this offer again demonstrates that. If you are interested in being a part of this, contact jordan@sasktrucking.com. We will only help host this if we receive enough interest.
Virtus Group has a great resource page with all the supports for individuals and business. Take a look at their resource page, here.

News from the STA Office

STA Meetings

The STA has continued to stay busy during the COVID-19 pandemic, maintaining close contact with our provincial government. We have had meetings this week with the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (MHI) and Ministry of Immigration and Career Training (ICT). MHI requested a meeting with the STA looking for guidance and leadership in helping truck drivers get the essential supplies they need. ICT and the STA have been discussing ways to continue addressing labour challenges in trucking. We are hearing from many individuals without work who have a Class 1A license and are looking for work. If you as an employer need any type of labour assistance, contact jordan@sasktrucking.com

Truckers Food and Accommodation Guide

Say Hello to the Travelodge by Wyndham Regina (formerly as Chateau Regina Hotel & Suites). The Travelodge has easy access from the highway with a large parking lot for trucks. They are providing guest rooms rates which includes hot complimentary breakfast. The Hotel restaurant is open 8am-7pm. The approved rate is $69.00.

HAL Insurance & CTCI

HAL and CTCI continue to operate to the public, however, our office is closed off to the public. If you need assistance with license plates or renewing your drivers license, contact HAL today and we can do that for you (306-569-2150). For CTCI related matters, which includes IRP contact Rhonda at CTCI

Interviews for WCHN
Western Canada Highway News (WCHN) is putting together a special “Thank A Trucker” feature for the upcoming WCHN Summer issue. WCHN is looking to interview STA carrier and supplier members to feature in their story. If you are interested in being a part of this, please contact, jordan@sasktrucking.com. Jordan will get you in contact with the appropriate person. Additionally, the STA sent out, on its own yesterday, an advertisement opportunity for WCHN. Please see that communication. There will be 4,000 copies of the special “Thank A Trucker” issue.

Saskatchewan Trucking Association Virtual Classes Now Happening!
Upcoming COR Training May 12-14

The Health and Safety System Building HSSB course is the first step to achieving your Trucking Industry Certificate of Recognition (COR) through the Saskatchewan Trucking Association and endorsed by Mission Zero WorkSafe Saskatchewan. This comprehensive and challenging course is designed to guide and assist safety personnel in the development and implementation of a Health and Safety System.

Register Today!

Canadian Trucking Alliance

Employment Confirmation

To ensure your continued freedom of movement, Transport Canada has issued a letter that identifies trucking companies’ workers as essential and signals to authorities their ability to move freely. This letter is meant to compliment any internal documents your company has already provided for your drivers. If you have not done this, the STA recommends you do. The CTA has provided a sample letter which you can use—include your own letterhead.

It is important for transportation workers to be easily identifiable, especially when drivers may be traveling to and from work in a non-commercial vehicle. Jurisdictions in Canada are starting to limit non-essential travel and put more restrictive measures in place, including roadside checkpoints that are surfacing throughout the country. Please find all the applicable documents, here.

CBSA Alternative to Paper Processing-COVID 19

The CBSA is making progress towards the expanded use of email and fax, in lieu of paper submissions of commercial documentation. The first wave of ports to offer email service will be Vancouver, Toronto, Windsor, Montreal and Halifax. Additional offices will come online shortly. Commercial clients are encouraged to communicate with their local CBSA office to determine their state of readiness and the best method currently
Please note that carriers need to obtain confirmation from the local office prior to sending documents by email. Please see Annex A (click here) for details and note the updates in red and updated images of electronic CBSA stamps.

Unless changes are announced to clearance procedures or the admissibility of goods, importers should not assume a change has been made or that confirmation is required. If carriers have additional questions regarding these new procedures, please call the BIS contact number below, or please email me with any additional questions.

Border Information Service (BIS) line: Within Canada (Toll-free): 1-800-461-9999 Outside Canada (Long distance charges apply): 1-204-983-3500

**Supporting the Industry**

Minister Garneau continues to show his strong public support for the trucking industry throughout the COVID-19 crisis. From assisting the industry through the reshaping of the border, amendments to regulations related to trucking, essential service definition and identification documentation for the trucking industry, Minister Garneau has been lending his guidance, leadership and support for the Canadian trucking industry. You can view CTA President, Stephen Laskowski’s comments, [here](#).

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