



**Council of Deputy Ministers Responsible for
Transportation and Highway Safety**

Task Force on Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Policy

Government/Industry Meeting

Pierre de Coubertin Room
Hotel Omni Mont-Royal, Montreal

Wednesday November 26 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Draft Agenda (Nov 13)

- 1. Welcome and Opening**
- 2. Round-Table Introductions & Adoption of Agenda**
- 3. Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations in Canada - Update on Issues and Developments**
 - a. National Developments & MOU Amendments
 - b. Provincial/Territorial Developments - Round table reports by jurisdiction
- 4. Regulatory Cooperation Council Update** (Michel Leclerc, Transport Canada)
- 5. Technical Issues and Presentations**
 - a. New Generation Wide Base Single Tires on Canadian Highways – Theoretical Perception and Practical Observations (Kamal Adhikari, Michelin North America)
 - b. Lifiable Pusher 6x2 Drive Suspension (Hendrickson Inc.)
 - c. Volvo 6x2 Suspension (Tim Lafon, Volvo)
 - d. Advanced 6x2 Suspensions (Brad Hicks, Meritor)
 - e. Summary of Results from Recent Studies on HDV boat-tails, including potential for snow & ice accumulation and wake turbulence (Marc Belzile, Transport Canada)
 - f. Process for Evaluating VWD Proposals in Québec (Benoit Cayouette, Transports Quebec)
 - g. Canadian Natural Gas Vehicle Alliance (Charlie Ker, Cummins Westport)
 - h. ecoTECHNOLOGY for Vehicles: Program Update (Leanna Belluz, Transport Canada)
 - i. Heavy Duty Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emissions Regulations Update (Julie Deschatelets, Environment Canada)
 - j. Truck Size and Weight Developments in the United States (FMCSA)
 - k. International Vehicle Weight and Dimension Developments (John Billing)
- 6. Long Combination Vehicle Operations – Provincial & Territorial Updates**
 - a. Western Regional Agreement on Rocky Mountain Double Configurations
- 7. Pilot Car/Escort Vehicle Sector Update**
- 8. Vehicle Weights and Dimensions - Regulatory Harmonization Needs and Priorities**
- 9. Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**