

TLS NOTICE

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) has a vested interest in ensuring the smooth and efficient movement of containers by truck through the Vancouver Gateway. To that end the VFPA is committed to implementing operational efficiencies, reducing truck turnaround times and enforcing its Truck Licensing System (TLS).

Since January 15, 2007 the VFPA has placed a moratorium on the issuance of new TLS licences or permits to independent owner operators who were not operating within its jurisdiction between December 1, 2006 and January 15, 2007.

In order to conduct a comprehensive review of container trucking efficiencies within the Port and consider the many points raised by Transport Canada and other stakeholders, the VFPA is expanding its moratorium to include all new applications for permits and/or licences under its TLS program.

The expanded moratorium was announced and became effective on Friday, December 18, 2009, at 5pm Pacific Standard Time. This expanded moratorium applies to both local AND long haul licences and permits.

For greater clarity please be advised that no new licence or permit applications will be processed or considered in respect of the following:

- Full Service Operator Licences;
- Independent Operator Permits;
- Exceptions to access Port property; or
- Fleet-size increases on existing licences and permits.

Renewals of existing TLS Licences and Permits will continue through the moratorium period.

VFPA will review applications from existing licencees and permittees to upgrade to their local and long haul truck fleets provided the upgrades are consistent with VFPA's moratorium, the TLS and VFPA's environmental and safety requirements.

New licence, permit and truck applications that were received by TLS prior to 5pm Pacific Standard Time on Friday December 18 2009 will be reviewed within the normal processing time.

Please direct all enquiries to VFPA's TLS Administrator tls@vfpa.ca or the TLS telephone line at 604-665-9333.