

JAC meeting 12/21/22

Attendance:

Casey Bullard
Margie Hughes
Jackie Polk
Eric Shriver
Ray Proctor
Michelle Fasbender

Agenda:

1. Update on Connecticut VMT
 - a. From the IFTA Steering Committee Meeting
 - i. Notes from Margie and Jackie attached
 - ii. The CSV upload calls for Connecticut miles, AND total miles elsewhere
 - iii. If you're going to track mileage by weight category – you'll add a line per weight category reported
 - iv. Only reporting gross weight 26k AND class 8-13 as defined by Federal Highway Administration
 - v. No exemption for drive away companies
 - vi. No trip permits
 1. So you either register or don't go there
 2. Fine is \$1k for without registration
 - vii. Registration seems simple so far But the permit should be available within the hour as part of the application. You may have to check back in later to get it.
 - viii. There are tax preparer portals, and you can add clients
 1. You need account ID and Connecticut Registration Number
 - ix. Highway use FEE not a TAX
 - x. Carriers may register ***any time before*** traveling into Connecticut – but if they are in Connecticut they need to have their permit. Otherwise if caught they will get that \$1k ticket.
 - xi. We still have questions about when/if the state will suspend, and what that will look like. 3 months of inactivity gets suspended. The state has said you can proactively call and let them know, and you might not get suspended. But we don't know how to reactivate, we don't know if you'll get a NEW permit, with new numbers, or just reactivate the old one. We've got questions out. And the bottom line is most people seem to be getting different answers. Not all are on the same page.
 - xii. Out of state carriers who are just passing through, do not have to register with the department of revenue.
 - xiii. There will likely be legal action by late January or Early February
2. Update on e-file Format

- a. We didn't have a lot of feedback on what we created last time. IT looks good.
- b. We did decide to run it by Celtic, as they are a NATSA member, and we didn't want them to feel excluded from the process.
- c. I'll get whatever I have to Carmen by the First week of January. Trying to give Kris at Celtic time to respond. It's a bit late notice for her.

Notes from Jackie – Thank you Jackie!!

Connecticut Road Use Tax – Ongoing discussions are taking place, but we have received clarification on the following:

- Odometers will not be required for the filing – they are updating their system now and will issue a revised CSV format.
- You will include one row per vehicle that has the vehicle specific information and then total miles operated for the month everywhere and total miles operated in CT.
- If you have a plate change during the period, you do need to include 2 rows – one for each plate number. Unknown how they will audit for this.
- Confirmed you only permit and report vehicles with a gross combined weight of 26,000 lbs. and Class 8 through 13. So if it is a straight truck that does not pull a trailer, it is not subject to the permit/tax.
- No exemption for Driveaway companies per Chris Woods, Audit Supervisor.
- No trip permits will be offered for companies that do not have a permit.
- There is no fee for the permit.
- You can download a copy of the permit once you register and per Pete Gacek of CT, they will allow you to carry an electronic copy of the permit.
- You can add client accounts to your Tax Payer Portal. Need their account ID and CT Registration No to do so.
- Connecticut does refer to this as a Highway Use Fee and does not want it called a tax.