NOTICE
Special Hauling OS / OW Permits

Subject: License Plates for Sealed Container Chassis

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GENERAL:
- Background:
  Department policy requires that license plates for trailers be noted on all Special Hauling Permits. It has come to the Department’s attention that this is a burdensome requirement for permits issued to sealed Intermodal Containers. If the move originates from a port, the container chassis is assigned to the carrier when they arrive at the port. As a result, carriers are not able to apply for a trip permit until the license plate for the chassis is known, resulting in permit delays. This also makes annual permits impractical due to the large number of possible chassis license plate numbers.

- Purpose:
  To update Department policy on the need for applicants to note license plate numbers for sealed container chassis.

- Administration:
  This policy change takes effect upon issuance of this notice.

NEW POLICY:
- Explanation:
  Effective immediately, Special Hauling Permit applicants applying for a permit to move a sealed Intermodal Container will not have to furnish the license plate number for the container chassis. The applicant will be required to note all other needed chassis information, including axle spacings and the manufacturer’s axle and tire ratings. This policy only applies to sealed Intermodal Container moves, all other applicants will be required to provide the trailer plate information.

Applicants using the Perm 39 (Application for a Special Hauling Permit) form can leave this information off the form. Applicants using the Department’s on-line permit ordering system should note the Vehicle Type as a Tractor and DriveAway-TowAway for a Truck and DriveAway-TowAway. By doing so, the system will not require the applicant to enter in trailer plate information.