Under the Same North American Umbrella, Cross Border Challenges and Opportunities

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Canada-US trade

One of the world’s most extensive bilateral relations

35 million vehicles processed along the border annually

Relations empowered by the FTA and NAFTA

Canada exports to the US = 25% of the Canadian GDP

US receives 75% of Canadian exports

US supplies 50% of Canadian imports
Canada–US Cross border transportation

Moving $1.3 B worth of goods daily

Trucks haul 70% of bilateral trade

23,000 Canadian motor carriers operate in the United States

20,000 American motor carriers operate in Canada
Our Vision:
The safest and most efficient movement of people and goods by road in the world

Our Mission:
To provide a national forum for development of public policy and programs for road safety and driver and vehicle licensing

Mandate:
The official organization in Canada which represents 14 provincial, territorial and federal government departments dealing with road safety issues

Coordinates all matters dealing with administration, regulation and control of motor vehicle transportation and highway safety
CCMTA and Canada-US relations

- Transparent, safe and smooth cross border traffic
- US safety initiatives
- North American best practices
- New partnerships
- Dispute Resolution
Canada-US Commercial Driver Licences (CDL)


1989 Reciprocity Agreement: DL issued by Canadian provinces and territories under the National Safety Code Standards deemed equivalent to US CDL.

1998 Reciprocity letters on medical fitness requirements for operators of commercial motor vehicle; medical standards deemed equivalent with a few exceptions.
Canada/U.S. Safety Rating Reciprocity

Functions on reciprocal exchange of international carrier safety data: inspections, crashes and (to come) convictions/violations

Both countries deemed to have mutually compatible safety rating programs

Intended to reduce the need to duplicate the safety oversight in the other country, providing each country with a more complete picture of the safety performance of their respective motor carriers
North American Cargo Securement

Public Forum

U.S./Canada Regulatory Committee

Maintenance of the updated regulation model
Electronic On-Board Recorders

CCMTA to develop a standard for EOBR use leveraging key aspects of the U.S. rule

Canadian model: performance-based, technically flexible approach similar to U.S. rulemaking
What’s Next

Canada-US Partnership

Ongoing Legacy Work

Mexico as New Partner
Future Joint Challenges

- Aging Population, Aging Infrastructure
- Growth in Truck Freight Demand
- Maintaining Currency of Regulatory Framework
- Regional Demographic Differences
- Changing the Traffic Safety Culture
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