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PMTC pleased with CCMTA/Jurisdictional announced approach to Federal ELD Enforcement

In a release distributed earlier today, the CCMTA has provided an approach that has been developed by its board and agreed upon in principal by the Provinces & Territories, for a phased in gradual approach to the Canadian Federal ELD Regulation, set to come into force on June 12th of 2021.

The release, which can be found here, indicates that the approach will begin with education and awareness only, and that no penalties will occur until June 12th of 2022.

“The PMTC is happy with today’s announcement. We congratulate the CCMTA, the Provinces & Territories, and Transport Canada, for working together to come up with an enforcement strategy that provides industry the time needed to properly research and select from a fulsome list of certified ELD devices once it begins to be populated.”, stated PMTC President Mike Millian.

While the PMTC is optimistic with today’s announcement, we are however aware, that in the end, each Province and Territory will still come up with its own strategy that will outline when we move from education and awareness, possibly into warnings and noted on carrier profiles. At this point, only Quebec & Manitoba have indicated in public, at least in part, what their intentions are. We are hopeful, that with today’s announcement, more Provinces & Territories will be ready to come forward with their strategies.

The PMTC would encourage the jurisdictions to ensure we stay with education and awareness for a considerable time, and beyond the first 6 months. In earlier communications the PMTC forwarded to regulators on March 1st, we proposed that warning begin on January 1st of 2022. Considering it has been 2 months since that proposal was made, and we still have no certified devices, we believe warnings should not begin until the end of Quarter 1 at the earliest.

“PMTC would also like to remind carriers, if they have not already, to begin researching ELD suppliers and devices. While you may not wish to purchase until your device of choice has been approved, use this opportunity to do the leg work prior, and when devices are approved, you will be ready to move forward. I would not count on a further extension as your transition strategy, reinforced Millian. “

Overall, today’s announcement is still great news, and the PMTC will continue to work collaboratively with the CCMTA, member jurisdictions, and Transport Canada as we move towards full ELD compliance on June 12th of 2022.