

December 19, 2014



### **HOLIDAY GREETINGS**

The board of directors and staff of the Canadian Association of Movers wish you, your staff and your families all the best for a happy holiday season and for success in the new year.

### **CAM HOLIDAY HOURS**

The Canadian Association of Movers' office will be running on limited hours during the holiday. The office will close at noon on Wednesday, December 24 and reopen at 9 AM on Monday, January 5, 2015. During that time we will have limited access to voicemail and email.

### **CAM's 2015 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

**Mark the dates!** The CAM annual conference will be held in **Ottawa** in the **week of November 2, 2015**. CAM is planning an exciting program that will be based on government participation in our programs and the ever-popular panel discussion format. Watch for details!

### **CAM's 2015 ANNUAL CONFERENCE SURVEY WINNER**

Thanks to everyone who completed our conference survey! Your responses and ideas were invaluable. We randomly selected one responder to win a free conference registration. Congratulations to Fred Haladay of Atlas Van Lines (Canada) Ltd. on winning the free registration!

### **MEETINGS WITH THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT**

In November, Jim Carney and John Levi met with Ontario's Ministry of Finance. The Ministry is very concerned about the situation with rogue movers avoiding paying tax. Last week, Paul Leader and John Levi met with the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services. The Ministry is interested in fulfilling Premier Wynne's election promise that she would deal with service-delivery problems within the moving industry. It seems that CAM now has the attention of the appropriate departments within government and will continue to liaise with these departments to help eliminate rogue movers. As we develop this relationship with the Government of Ontario, we will try and roll out our successes with other provincial governments across the country.

### **34-HOUR RESTART RULE OFFICIALLY SUSPENDED**

On December 16, President Barack Obama signed the appropriations bill, which suspended the enforcement of the required 34-hour restart for truck drivers, including two periods from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. once-per-week. See the [complete article](#).

### **NEW MEMBER**

Brewer Van Line Logistics Inc.(Oakville, ON) joined CAM this month. Welcome to the association!

### **TRANSITION OF CAM'S PRESIDENCY**

Over the last two months, Paul Leader and John Levi have been working on the transition of CAM's presidency. Effective December 31, John has retired from the presidency of the Association. Effective January 1, Paul assumes the presidency of the Association. Both John and Paul feel that the transition has been successful. Your needs will continue to be served and you will continue to be well-represented in the moving community, with consumers and with government.

***IF YOU HAVE NEWS OR AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT CANADA'S MOVING INDUSTRY SHOULD KNOW ABOUT, please let us know and we will include it in an upcoming issue of this newsletter. CAM reserves the right to include and/or edit news and announcements.***

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