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## FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

### Arkansas will be sending you tax forms to be filled out for the calendar year of 2023 – see below.

#### IRP APRIL 2024 TO MARCH 2025 RENEWALS

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Fleet IRP renewals will need to be processed with ADOT for those that expire on March 31, 2024.

If your apportioned plates expire in March, there should be an orange renewal sheet included with this newsletter. If your plates expire in March and TCS has failed to provide a renewal sheet, please give our office a call so we can mail or fax one to you. You can also print a renewal sheet from the forms page of our website. It is very important that your renewal request be processed and submitted to ADOT as soon as possible. <u>ADOT WILL NOT EXTEND</u> <u>ANY GRACE PERIOD</u>. All apportioned plates that expire on March 31, 2024 <u>WILL</u> expire on that day.

Please submit your orange renewal sheet early to process for a billing amount. If any changes need to be made to the fleet or specific vehicle, this can be dealt with before payment is made and/or plates have expired. Payments made in the final week of expiration have limited processing times and may result in your plates not being renewed before they expire.

**INSURANCE:** Please submit proof of insurance to TCS with a current certificate of insurance for your vehicle(s) registration. MVD requires TCS to retain the certificate for file purposes.

**<u>REMINDER:</u>** IRP's processing time is a minimum of three days and that time significantly increases as we get closer to the expiration date.

**NOTE:** If you submit your renewal sheet to TCS for processing and then choose not to renew, TCS's service fees will be assessed for processing the renewal and reversing ADOT's invoice.

If you do not want TCS to do your IRP renewal, give us a call and we will send ADOT's IRP renewal printout to you.

### 2290 TAX (HVUT)

The Federal Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) was due and should have been filed and paid by August 31, 2023.

The IRS no longer mails a tax form to be used when filing your 2290 tax. You can get the form at www.IRS.gov or from the forms page of our website www.tcsphoenix.com. Every power unit that exceeds a GVW (registered) of 54,999# must be reported. The IRS accepts payment through the mail, by hand delivery, or electronically. <u>Remember, a copy of the 2023/2024</u> <u>stamped 2290 paid receipt with the</u> <u>VIN # will be required when</u> <u>processing your renewal registration.</u>

### 2024 IFTA RENEWAL

Your 2024 Arizona IFTA license must be processed as soon as possible. If TCS has not invoiced you and/or you have not paid TCS to do this for you, please email <u>irp@tcsphoenix.com</u> for instructions. . **THERE IS NO IFTA GRACE PERIOD.** 

**<u>REMINDER</u>**: IFTA stickers are numbered and assigned to your company per the number of trucks that you have apportioned in Arizona.

If you have received your IFTA license directly from ADOT or another state, please send us a copy of your license for our records. If we sent you your IFTA license, we already have a copy in our files. If you have already received your new 2023 IFTA stickers, they can be put on your truck. An IFTA sticker must be placed on each side of your truck.

### AD VALOREM – PROPERTY TAX REPORTS

It's that time again. Arkansas will be emailing you tax forms to be filled out for the calendar year of 2024. The forms must be completed and returned by email even if there were no miles in the state. If you would like TCS to complete these forms for you, you must email them in to us to process. There will be a service fee to complete these forms for you. <u>DO NOT IGNORE THESE</u> FORMS JUST BECAUSE YOU HAD NO MILES IN THE STATE. You will be charged a penalty for not submitting these completed forms.

### **TCS PAYMENT OPTIONS**

Due to changes in banking practices, our availability to funds deposited is limited. As we cannot issue payment checks to ADOT or any other agency until the funds are available to us by our bank, there will sometimes be a waiting period for your credentials, depending on your chosen method of payment to TCS. See our website for a guide to any waiting period you may incur between your payment to TCS and the processing of your credentials. This schedule is subject to change as banking practices are adjusted.

### ADOT REMINDER

Every Arizona licensed IFTA carrier must prepare and submit a quarterly Arizona IFTA Tax Report. The quarterly reports must reflect miles and gallons for all IFTA jurisdictions traveled. It is the taxpayer's responsibility to comply with the IFTA Agreements and make sure all reports are filed. NOTE: ADOT has a policy concerning quarterly IFTA tax reports: Any reports not filed or paid late during the year could result in ADOT requiring you to post a bond in order for you to receive additional IFTA stickers, your next IFTA license, or even to register another truck.

If you have a bond with ADOT and you are late paying your IFTA taxes, you will have to attend a hearing to justify why you should be able to keep your IFTA. If you do not attend the hearing, ADOT will revoke your IFTA license for 6 months. <u>All IFTA/IRP accounts now</u> <u>require a current e-mail address</u>. If we do not have a current e-mail address for you, please e-mail us at irp@tcsphoenix.com.

TCS OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 noon

#### **FHWA & DOT UPDATES**

All entities are required to notify the FMCSA within 30 days of any changes to their legal name, form of business, or address. However, making these updates does not relieve an entity of compliance with the biennial update requirement.

### FUEL TAX SERVICE LATE FEE

Reminder, an additional charge will be imposed upon customers turning in trip sheets late. For example, this last quarter, we had a high percentage of people turning in October, November, and December trip sheets into our office for processing the last two weeks of January. Although we only guarantee anything turned in by the 10<sup>th</sup> will be completed on time, our fuel tax preparers make the extra effort to process as many as they possibly can by the due date. Turning in trip sheets late severely increases the processing time as the workload is tripled at the last minute. We ask that trip sheets be turned into our office no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month for the previous month. (January trip sheets should be in our office by February 10<sup>th</sup>, February trip sheets should be in our office by March 10<sup>th</sup>, etc.). Trip sheets turned in late will incur an additional processing fee.

### 2024 MILEAGE PERMIT RENEWAL

You were required to have renewed your mileage permits by 12/31/23. Fines can now be issued if you are not in compliance.

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#### PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY

TCS will be closed on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### **TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS**

Curt - 212 Elva (fuel taxes) - 209 Socorro (registration & titles) - 213 Bookkeeper (bookkeeping) - 204 Xochitl (fuel taxes) - 202 Ana (registration & 2290) - 203 Eva (registration & titles) - 208 Karina (fuel taxes) - 214 Broania (authority & permits) - 210 Myriam - 211 Nancy (fuel taxes) - 206

Newsletters \* State Links \* Federal Links \* and more - Trip sheets, Renewal and Federal forms are now available on our website. Let us know what you would like to see on our website.