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**DATE:** October 16, 2014

**TO:** ALL SUPERLOAD PERMIT HOLDERS IN THE LAST YEAR

**FROM:** Christy Jordan, Manager  
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**SUBJECT:** **New Driver Requirements in Oregon for Superloads**

You are receiving this letter because you have obtained a superload permit to operate in the State of Oregon from October 1, 2013 to present.

Effective October 15, 2014 - in an effort to ensure safety to the travelling public, Motor Carrier Transportation Division has taken immediate action implementing new driver requirements to carriers who move oversize loads that are considered a superload, or any load that is unable to maintain a minimum prescribed travel speed.

Any load exceeding the following dimensions is considered a Superload:

- Over 16 feet wide on the Interstate
- Over 14 feet wide on any state two-lane highway  
(This does not include mobile / modular units with a 14 foot box or less and up to a 12 inch eave.)
- Over 17 feet high on any highway
- Mobile / modular unit with a box width over 14 feet wide and/or overall width greater than 15 feet
- Overall length greater than 150 feet

**Drivers of superloads are subject to the following requirements:**

- **Must have a minimum of three years of experience driving commercial vehicle combinations; one of these years must be driving/hauling oversize loads**
- **Must not have a conviction of more than one moving violation while operating commercial motor vehicles in any state, country or province within the last one year**
- **Must not have more than one preventable, recordable accident involving a commercial motor vehicle in any state, country or province within the last two years**
- **Must not have a suspension or revocation of driving privileges from operation of a commercial motor vehicle in any state, country or province during the past three years**
- **Must not have conviction of DUII while operating a commercial motor vehicle in any state, country or province within the last five years.**

This information will be included as a requirement on any single-trip permit that exceeds one or more of the above dimensions, and/or cannot maintain a minimum prescribed travel speed, regardless of dimensions.

Motor Carriers need to provide this information to their drivers, by copy of this letter or other means, to assure their awareness of the new requirements.