

## **Safety Advisory: Canadian Cargo Tank Facilities Required to Register with Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and follow United States (U.S.) Test, Inspection, and Repair Regulations**

### **Issue:**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) is issuing this safety advisory as a reminder of the registration requirements for Canadian cargo tank facilities and persons engaged in the manufacture, assembly, certification, inspection or repair of a USDOT specification cargo tank or cargo tank motor vehicle used for the transportation of hazardous materials (HM) in the United States.

The registration requirements also apply to cargo tanks built to specifications contained in a Special Permit issued by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) and to manufacturers of components used in the construction of USDOT cargo tanks.

### **Registration with FMCSA:**

Registration requires submission of a Registration statement and application for a cargo tank facility number in accordance with 49 CFR Part 107:

Registration statements must be completed in English, contain all of the information required by subpart F, and be submitted to: FMCSA Hazardous Materials Division—MC-ECH, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. You may upload documents at <https://ask.fmcsa.dot.gov/app/ask> or you fax documents to: (202)366-3477.

Additionally, Canadian cargo tank facilities or persons registering with FMCSA must designate a permanent resident of the United States to act as your agent to receive documents on your behalf. Regulations require such entities to prepare and file designations with PHMSA pursuant to 49 CFR §105.40: Designated agents for non-residents. By completing the process agent designation section on the cargo tank registration form required for FMCSA registration, this requirement will be satisfied.

### **Compliance with U.S. Regulations 49 CFR Part 180 Subpart E:**

When engaged in continuing qualification and maintenance of USDOT cargo tanks and cargo tank motor vehicles, all U.S. and Canadian inspectors must be familiar with and

employ the requirements for testing, inspecting and repairing of cargo tanks and cargo tank motor vehicles pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 180, Subpart E.

**Access to 49 CFR:**

The 49 CFR can be accessed online at: [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov); through FMCSA at: <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulations/hazardous-materials/hazardous-materialsdangerous-goods-regulations>.

**Questions and Inquiries:**

For questions or concerns in registering your CTF with FMCSA, please contact the Hazardous Materials Division, at 202-385-2307 or by email at: [fmcsacargotank@dot.gov](mailto:fmcsacargotank@dot.gov).