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NOTICE ON TRANSPORTATION OF FARM WORKERS

Employment Standards Regulations mandate that vehicles transporting farm workers comply with Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement Branch (CVSE) requirements which include:

- driver possessing a valid driver's license for the type of vehicle;
- vehicle mechanical fitness;
- load security;
- safe transportation of farm workers

The requirements for safe transportation of farm workers also apply to employers transporting farm workers in seven (7) passenger mini-vans and/or SUVs

Mini-vans and SUVs transporting farm workers must pass a vehicle safety inspection and display a CVSE decal demonstrating that the vehicle has been inspected and is approved to transport farm workers.

To facilitate this requirement, CVSE and ESB will be conducting Educational Voluntary Roadside Vehicle Inspections from

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

on the dates and locations listed below;

DATE	LOCATION
May 12, 13, 2008	South side of Highway #1 and Sumas Exit, Abbotsford
May 14, 16, 2008	Nordel Weigh Scale, Nordel Way, Delta

Vehicle inspectors will be available to check your vehicle and identify any deficiencies or repairs required.

THE SAFETY INSPECTION IS FREE AND NO TICKETS OR FINES WILL BE ISSUED.

Employers can then take the vehicle to an approved vehicle inspection/repair facility if necessary.