

Washington Movers Conference

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Ms Carole Washburn Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Dear Ms Washburn:

The Washington Movers Conference would like to petition the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for reinstatement of the HHG tariff fuel surcharge based upon the sudden and continuing rapid escalation in the cost of diesel fuel.

When the last Fuel Surcharge Supplements No. 2006-1 and No. 2007-8 were canceled by Docket TV-071649, effective August 17, 2007, the West Coast average cost of diesel fuel as reported by the Energy Information Administration was \$3.019 per gallon. Beginning with the reporting week of February 11, 2008 when the average cost was \$3.347, there has been four consecutive weekly double digit price increases. For the current reporting week of March 10, 2008, the West Coast average price of diesel fuel was \$3.885 per gallon. There is presently no end in sight to these rapid increases.

If approved, the Conference requests the new Tariff No. 15-C Fuel Surcharge be reviewed on a monthly basis prior to the effective date of the identified calendar month. For example, the current review should take place immediately to be effective on April 1, 2008, the current monthly cycle. Then each subsequent month a review should be made to provide a basis to determine if the Fuel Surcharge should be increased or decreased based upon the cost of fuel at that point in time. Our rationale is that a Fuel Surcharge be put in place to temporarily provide relief for the unusual circumstances that impact the cost of doing business beyond the control of the business. Once the abnormal situation subsides or is mitigated by other means, the surcharge should drop back as well.

For better implementation, we further request the HHG Tariff No.15-C Fuel Surcharge for each subsequent following month be made available by approximately the 20th of the previous month. This will allow for informative discussions with customers who are making relocation plans that will take place during the subsequent month.

Should you need any further assistance from the WMC, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

James R. Tutton, Jr. Executive Direct



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Weekly Retail On-Highway Diesel Prices

Average All Types

Low and Ultra-Low Sulfur

Weekly Retail On-Highway Diesel Prices - Average All Types (Dollars per gallon, including all taxes)

Region	02/25/08	03/03/08	03/10/08	Change from week ago	Change from year ago
U.S.	3.552	3.658	3.819	0.161	1.134
East Coast	3.608	3.700	3.870	0.170	1.201
New England	3.710	3.813	3.938	0.125	1.208
Central Atlantic	3.693	3.825	3.989	0.164	1.270
Lower Atlantic	3.562	3.636	3.814	0.178	1.171
Midwest	3.525	3.639	3.784	0.145	1.111
Gulf Coast	3.510	3.609	3.798	0.189	1.154
Rocky Mountain	3.473	3.573	3.732	0.159	0.996
West Coast	3.609	3.736	3.885	0.149	1.074
California	3.672	3.803	3.955	0.152	1.056

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Glossary

Release Schedule
Printer-Friendly Version
Sign-up for email notification
24-hour hotline: 202-586-6966

Reference

Prices for Last 53 Weeks (html) (text)

Spreadsheet of Complete Diesel Historical Data (.xls)

Diesel Fuel Taxes

Does EIA Calculate Diesel Fuel Surcharges?

States in each Region

Data Collection Procedures and Statistical Methodology

Coefficient of Variation Report

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Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Update

A Primer on Diesel Fuel Prices

Real Petroleum Prices (CPI Adjusted)

Petroleum Navigator

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U.S. Retail Gasoline Prices

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