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A: TRUCK & DRIVER DATA STANDARDS B: TRANSPORT INVOICING DATA STANDARDS WITHIN BULK CHEMICALS

ECTA just published two new digital ECTA Best Practice Guidelines for the European Chemical Logistics Industry. With the aim to create international data standards for the European chemical logistic industry, the ECTA Digital Workgroups focused on two specific fields – Truck&Driver Data Standards AND Transport Invoicing Data Standards within Bulk Chemicals.

A) Truck&Driver Data Standards

"To meet the customer and future societal needs, current logistics supply chains are being transformed into hyper-connected logistics networks where digital collaboration amongst all stakeholders is becoming a necessity. However, due to the increasing number of different IT platforms, data interfaces and involved parties within the transport and logistics chain, there is more and more need for standardization of data. This is especially true when personal data, like truck and driver data is being shared." (Peter Devos, ECTA Managing Director and Workgroup Speaker) The aim of this ECTA Guideline is to provide a standard set of truck and driver data definition. Furthermore, the aim is to provide a recommendation for digitalizing truck and driver data, while complying with GDPR and with respect for truck data ownership and data sharing purpose. In terms of scope, this ECTA best practice guideline will cover road transport of bulk and packed goods in the chemical industry. Find Guideline here: ECTA BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINE: TRUCK & DRIVER DATA STANDARDS | ECTA - European Chemical Transport Association

B) Transport Invoicing Data Standards within Bulk Chemicals

"Electronic data exchange across companies has become more and more important in order to improve productivity and implementation time through standardizing the data formats between supply chain actors. In various steps, ECTA published several digital best practice guideline since 2020." (Peter Devos, ECTA Managing Director and Workgroup Speaker)

The objective of this ECTA Guideline on invoice data standards is to complement the existing guidelines and give the involved stakeholders additional guidance how to facilitate electronic data exchange in this area. In addition, the recommendation is given to apply an order data standard based on OAGIS® Chem eStandard 5.42 plus some extended bulk-logistics specific attributes being identified by ECTA.

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