

January 23, 2001

Dear GSA Freight Customers and Carriers:

As announced in November, 2000, the GSA Freight Program Management Office (FPMO) is publishing an amendment to the Standard Tender of Service (STOS) regarding the Fuel-Related General Rate Adjustment (FRGRA), Item 1300 of the National Rules Tender, 100-D. Since December, 2000, a temporary fuel policy has been in effect in order to provide some relief to motor carriers for increased diesel fuel prices.

GSA's intent is to publish the new fuel policy with an effective date the same as the effective date of new rates that go in effect on May 1, 2001. In this way, carriers are able to account for the new fuel entitlements in their rate offers in the upcoming Request for Offers for the General Freight Program, which is due out in the first week of February, 2001.

The draft of the new FRGRA, effective May 1, 2001, may be found on our website at www.kc.gsa.gov/fsst/. Go to "What's New" on the website to find the document. The major element in this amendment is the change in the table of entitlements. Please review this policy and forward any comments by facsimile to (816) 823-3656, attention: Cindy Schardt, by close of business on Friday, February 2, 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Schardt, Traffic Management Specialist, at (816) 823-3646, or email to cindy.schardt@gsa.gov.

Sincerely,

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