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Welcome to our first edition! a Bi - monthly newsletter bringing you a snapshot of what is going on in transport both domestically and internattionally, bringing to you the current issues and exciting developments.

Pending Truck Driver Shortage?

The Australian Logistic council has voiced concerns of an impending truck driver shortage.

Lack of drivers and infrastrucure are causing costs to rise, as those in the industry scramble to find reliable cost effecient trucking providers.

Thoughts from the many submissions submitted to the coundil reflect a staffing crisis within the freight industry due to unattractive and unsafe career paths. Some believe the freight industry has a perception of an unwelcoming mindeset within those in the industry.

I personally have never found this the case, and see all logistics professionals as welcoming and hard working individuals!

The concerns voiced have now prompted a government review with the report likely to be heard by the public in October 2020.

Chinese New Year!

Chinese New Year is once again upon us. In the freight warld this can cause delays and for the end customer manfucturing delays. Chinese new year runs for. 15 days and can be known as the Spring Festival. This year the celebarations begin on 25th of January.

While the Celebrations only last approx a week, factories often close for up to one month!

Planning for the Chinese NY is essential, ensure you have contacted your supplier and know the closure dates, avoid last minutes orders as they will likely sit in the factory for the duration of the holiday..

A knock on effect of the closure is often back logs of freight both in air ports and sea ports, resulting in lengthy dealays when operation resumes..

Ensure all orders for Seafreight are giving a buffer of at least one week prior to celebrations.

Urgent airfreight can be arranged the day before closure of the factory.

