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DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE POLICE

GENERAL  
HEADQUARTERS

Thank you for your letter of March 24, 1997, regarding the National Driver Certification Program sponsored and administered by the Towing and Recovery Association of America.

We are pleased to endorse the National Driver Certification Program that is funded by the Federal Highway Administration for the purpose of instilling professionalism in tow truck drivers.

This Department believes there is a basic minimum of knowledge, skills and ability that a person must possess in order to perform the job of a tow truck driver when responding to calls for the public.

The Oregon State Police writes and administers the Nonpreference Tow Truck Administrative Rules for the State of Oregon. In order to be on the nonpreference tow list for rotational calls from the Oregon State Police, many sheriffs departments and city police departments, certain standards must be met.

We intend to incorporate into our administrative rules requirements for each tow truck driver to complete the National Driver Certification Program which has been instituted by the Federal Highway Administration. This will be a voluntary program at first.

We are pleased to add our endorsement to this important program that will improve the service and professionalism of the towing industry in Oregon to the public.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of any further assistance and feel free to contact me at (503) 378-3720 Ext. 4202.

Sincerely,

  
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