



Estes Launches a Nationwide Truckload Brokerage Company


RICHMOND, VA—Estes Brokerage, a wholly-owned subsidiary of North American carrier Estes Express Lines, went nationwide this month to offer customers a complete range of truckload solutions for all 50 United States, the Caribbean, Canada and Mexico. The brokerage network is made up of carefully qualified carriers that utilize standard trailers, vans, flatbeds or reefers.

Estes Brokerage is able to ensure carrier quality through a rigorous selection process consisting of a full screening for safety, reliable service and financial stability. In addition, Estes Brokerage customers enjoy the convenience of a single point of contact for complete customer service, including setup, tracking and tracing and invoicing.

Parent company Estes is also providing a security net for Truckload Brokerage customers. If ever necessary, the Estes fleet can step in at a moment's notice to deliver freight when a broker carrier can't.

"We want our customers to know that they will get the same kind of excellent customer care they get with Estes' LTL division," said Estes Brokerage General Manager Bobby Speight. "And with the Estes fleet of 6,500 trucks backing the service, they have even more peace of mind."

Parent company Estes also offers competitive asset-based solutions for volume and truckload in addition to a full array of LTL, expedited, supply chain management and offshore and international services.

For more information about the Estes Brokerage service, call 888-382-1663 or visit www.estes-brokerage.com. 



AIT Worldwide Logistics Joins EPA's SmartWaySM Transport Partnership

Drastically decreasing its carbon footprint and being recognized among other eco-friendly industry players, AIT Worldwide Logistics has joined the SmartWaySM Transport Partnership, a voluntary program designed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to improve the environmental performance of freight delivery systems in the United States.

As a leading competitor in the transportation and logistics industry, AIT has committed itself to establishing incentives for fuel efficiency improvements and greenhouse gas emissions reductions

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in order to support the EPA's mission to eliminate 33 to 66 million metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions and up to 200,000 tons of nitrogen oxide per year by 2012.

"AIT Worldwide Logistics is proud to align with SmartWay in taking action to preserve the environment and support the freight forwarding industry's need to reduce harmful emissions," said Ralph Obenauf, compliance coordinator for AIT Worldwide Logistics.

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Using a FLEET Performance Model to measure the company's current environmental performance and assess the percentage of

AIT's annual freight currently being moved by SmartWay Transport partners, the EPA generated a score to determine whether or not AIT qualified for eligibility in the program.

Achieving the top SmartWay score of 1.25, AIT has officially been declared a SmartWay Transport partner.

"Earning this distinction demonstrates our ongoing commitment in promoting the environment and supporting those within our industry who embrace similar green initiatives," said Ron House, Chicago station manager for AIT Worldwide Logistics. 