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Dear Sir / Madam

UK HGV Road User Levy – introduction from 1 April 2014

From 1 April 2014, a time-based HGV Levy must be paid by all heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) at or above 12 tonnes before using UK roads. The HGV Levy in intended to treat all HGVs using UK roads more equally. Failure to pay the levy will result in a £300 fine which will be taken from the driver at the roadside.

The daily cost of the levy per vehicle is between £1.70 and £10 depending on the type of vehicle, number of axles and its weight. Operators can save money by paying in advance by the week, month or year. The cost of an annual levy is between £85 and £1000.

Operators regularly making trips to the UK will be able to set up an account to register the vehicles they use and set payment arrangements. This will ensure the levy is paid with the minimum of administration.

For vehicles making infrequent trips to the UK, the levy can be purchased on-line on a 'pay and go' basis using a credit or debit card. Drivers can also pay at a limited number of points of sale, for example at ferry terminals and fuel stations, which will be able to take cash as well as accepting card payments. A phone number will also be available to make levy payments and resolve payment issues.

Drivers and operators will be able check on-line to make sure their vehicles have a valid levy. Vehicles that have not paid the levy will be detected as they enter the UK and targeted at the roadside using automatic number plate recognition cameras. An on-the-spot fine of £300 will be required by the UK enforcement authorities. Failure to pay the fine will result in the vehicle being immobilised.

HGV drivers, operators or their agents, making, or arranging journeys to the UK can stay up to date with progress in introducing the HGV levy by signing up for updates on the levy at http://www.hgvlevy-info.org.uk

I would be grateful if you could highlight plans to introduce the HGV levy from 1 April 2014 to hauliers based in your country which make international HGV journeys to the UK, and also how operators and drivers can find additional information.

In the meantime if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact HGVCharging@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,

The HGV Levy & Charging Team

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