Defense Personal Property Program Stop Movement for Personal Property Shipments

On March 14, 2020 the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) issued an order to stop the movement of all DOD personnel worldwide, as well as, all DOD household goods shipments through May 11, 2020. This drastic measure was taken in order to help curtail the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This measure will have a devastating impact on the moving and storage industry.

AMSA and IAM jointly propose congressional language that would allow industry stakeholders involved in the movement of DOD household goods/personal property to become eligible to receive Federal COVID-19 financial relief. If relief is not granted providers will suffer unprecedented economic losses due to the inability to service Department of Defense business. Household good providers have reserved their capacity in anticipation for these shipments and are now left with no business for the suspension period. It is likely and estimated that entities will go out of business or enact severe layoffs. Once DOD has lifted the travel ban there will be no companies to service the shipment and service members will be left on the curb, unable to move.

AMSA and IAM request the following;

Provide relief to current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers in response to the stop order period of March 14th through May 11th, 2020.

Relief Fund Overview: For lost projected revenue between the dates of March 16th thru May 11th, 2020 (or later in the event of travel ban extension). Current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers and current approved Non-Temp Storage Providers may submit relief submissions for up to 60% of revenue from previous years DOD work from March 16th- May 11th, 2019.

Relief Fund Request: $186,600,000

Relief Fund Calculation: This request is based on 60% of the total DOD spend from the prior year during the same period.

Eligible Entities- Current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers and current Non-Temp Storage Providers that provided moving services on DOD Shipments.

Relief Fund Calculations- Current DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers and current Non-Temp Storage Providers are eligible for 60% of their total billings to the government for moving services provided in the prior year from March 14th, 2019 thru May 11th, 2019.

Relief Fund Submission Requirements- Current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers must submit Government Bill of Ladings for moving services provided to the government for the period of March 16th thru May 11th, 2019 in order to receive relief funds.
Current approved DOD DP3 Non-Temp Storage providers shall submit service orders for March 16th thru May 11th of 2019 for all charges associated with pickups and releases only.

Current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Providers must pass through all subcontractor charges not handled by the current approved DOD DP3 Transportation Service Provider to the subcontractors within 5 government business days. If payment is not passed through within 5 government business days the transportation service provider is subject to review by the US Transportation Command Transportation Review Board. If not paid within five government days the owed service provider is eligible to collect 10% interest on payment owed from the transportation service provider.