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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS: ALC MEMBERSHIP ON THE RISE!

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We are pleased to report a surge in <u>individual logger membership</u> applications. ALC is the only national organization solely dedicated to representing the rights and interests of independent loggers and log truck contractors (members) on a national level. ALC combines the power of its members with state and regional

logging associations across the country to impact our industry positively and pro-actively by sharing the benefits of education, training, networking, research, promotion, and legislative advocacy.

In addition to our exclusive <u>member rebates</u>, access to <u>annual meetings</u>, and being a part of the preservation of logging, **log truck driver safety training is now included in your ALC membership**. The words *"safety training"* is often a bit taboo for loggers, but the unfortunate reality is that <u>most loggers are just one wreck and a billboard</u> <u>lawyer away from going out of business</u>. That is why safety training for log truck drivers has never been more important. Thus, ALC members now have access to 30+ online safety training courses that focus specifically on transportation of forest products.

Members can access training courses at any time using a smart-device or computer with internet access. A detailed record of completed courses, the training material used for the training, the date and time completed, and a training certificate is available for each course completed through the online training platform. This information can be made available to insurance companies, business owners, and logger associations. The convenience of "on-demand" driver safety training will save time and money, allowing more time for productivity while complying with governmental and insurance carrier mandates. If you are already a member, please <u>contact us</u> and a link will be provided to you for access.

Lastly, we have had several inquiries regarding the logger relief application process, but we still do not have any new information. The ALC along with state/regional associations are working together to ensure that all affected logging and log hauling businesses, both big and small, are included in the logger relief package. The moment we have more information, we will immediately email out an update.

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