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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FINAL RULE, "HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:
RETENTION OF SHIPPING PAPERS" (STP-02- 060)**

This is to inform you that the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) published the above subject **final rule** in the Federal Register on July 12, 2002. The rule requires shippers and carriers to retain a copy of each hazardous material shipping paper, or an electronic image thereof, for a period of 375 days after the date the hazardous material is accepted by a carrier. DOT has requested that we inform the Agreement States of this action. The rule becomes effective on August 12, 2002.

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