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### **Motor transport of hydrocarbons: new modality for Pemex**

As a measure to counteract the theft of hydrocarbons and guarantee their timely and safe supply at a national level, on January 30, the Ministry of Communications and Transportation published, in the Federal Official Gazette, an agreement by which the modality of motor transport of hydrocarbons is granted for Pemex and its subsidiaries (“Agreement”).

As mentioned in the Agreement, its publication complies with the obligation provided in article 25 of the Mexican Constitution, under which the State must establish, encourage and protect the mechanisms that ensure national economic activities as well as provide the necessary conditions for this purpose.

The Agreement, which entered into force on January 30, allows Pemex to undertake, in coordination with the Ministry of National Defense, the distribution of fuels by way of motor vehicles throughout the national territory, for a period of 12 months maximum as of January 30.

Additionally, the Agreement specifies that the operation and exploitation of such transportation service will be carried out directly by Pemex and its subsidiaries, or through leasing, as long as requirements set in the Agreement are met.

Among conditions provided for the delivery of the service are the following:

- Vehicles must comply with construction specifications for the transportation of hazardous materials and residues, as well as dimensions and weight requirements provided for such purposes.
- Vehicles must have a maximum load capacity of 11,360 gallons, comply with license plate requirements for transportation of hazardous materials and residues, and their drivers must carry the special license to transport such materials.
- During transportation, the following are necessary:

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- Liability insurance policy for damages to third parties for a minimum amount of 19,000 times the daily value of the Unit of Measure and Update (UMA), i.e. \$1'605,310.00 MXN.
- Environmental liability insurance policy for a minimum amount of \$900.000 MXN.

It is provided that this modality will only be in force during the strictly necessary and under no circumstances shall exceed a period of 12 months as of the entry into force of the Agreement.

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