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Understanding Intermodal: *The Basics*

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Structure

- Intermodal Baseline
- Benefits to Sell Shippers
- Misconceptions / Objections
- Need to Knows
- How to Get Started
- Creative Solutions with
 Intermodal
- Finding Shippers





Intermodal Baseline



Intermodal Box Ownership



Intermodal Marketing Company (IMC)

• Definition & Purpose of an IMC

Types of IMC's

Bi-modal (Asset)

• Private Assets (JB Hunt, Schneider, HUB, Matson, etc.)

Non-Asset IMC (Ramp-to-Ramp)

• Rail Owned (Mode, Knichel, etc.)

Non-Asset IMC (Door-to-Door)

• Non-Asset (InTek, Schneider Logistics, etc.)



Equipment Types

- 53' Domestic COFC (Container on Flat Car)
 - Move throughout North America
 - Assume max weight 42,500
- ISO Boxes (20' / 40' / 45')
 - Used for import / exports internationally, but opportunities for domestic use through re-positioning market (repo)
- 53' COFC & TOFC Reefers
 - Limited, but capabilities continue to improve
 - TOFC better on weight







What Makes for a Good Intermodal Lane

- Length of Haul
 - Generally begins to make sense for lanes of 700 miles or more
- Dray Distance from Intermodal Ramps
 - 50 miles or less from the pick-up and delivery locations
 - As the length of haul increase, so can dray but not much beyond 100 miles
- Weight
 - Use max weight of 42,500 lbs as a general guideline
- High Value
 - With limited highway miles, theft is greatly reduced
 - Great option for Mexico



Intermodal Benefits

Top 5 Benefits of Intermodal

- Scalable Capacity
 - Can bring a great deal of capacity in a short period of time
 - In a tightening market provides shippers with an alternative for
- Cost Efficient
 - Average 15% to 18% improvement over truck
- Reliable & Predictable
 - Standardized train routes with consistent transits
- Security
 - Significantly more secure than OTR
- Environmentally Responsible
 - 5.4 lbs of carbon dioxide versus 19.8 via truck
 - Train moves one ton of freight roughly 400 miles on a single gallon of fuel
 - 1 intermodal train removes 280 trucks off the road



Intermodal Misconceptions

Common Intermodal Misconceptions

- Slow Transits
- High Damage & Loss
- Unreliable Service
- Complicated
- Lack of Visibility
- Limited Service Provider Options
- Not Good for Big Box Retailers



Misconception – Long Transits

- Assume truck, plus a day
 - An additional day when interlined between RR's
- Expedited options available
- Transits over the weekend

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Lane	Service Days	Depart Shipper By	First Available Delivery	Availability				
Chicago to Dallas	T W Th F S	10:30 PM	2nd day by 8:00 AM	2nd day PM				
Chicago to Houston	SMTW ThFS	2:00 PM	3rd day by 8:00 AM	2nd day PM				
Chicago to Los Angeles	SMTW ThFS	3:00 PM	4th day by 5:00 PM	4th day AM				
Chicago to Northern California*	SMTW ThFS	9:00 AM	4th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Chicago to Salt Lake City	SMTW ThFS	2:00 PM	3rd day by 8:00 AM	3rd day AM				
Chicago to Tacoma	SMTW ThFS	3:00 PM	5th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Dallas to Chicago	M T W Th F	1:00 PM	3rd day by 8:00 AM	2nd day AM				
Dallas to Los Angeles	M T W Th F S	9:00 PM	3rd day by 5:00 PM	3rd day PM				
Houston to Chicago	M T Th F	2:00 PM	3rd day by 5:00 PM	2nd day PM				
Houston to Los Angeles	M W F	6:00 PM	5th day by 8:00 AM	3rd day PM				
Los Angeles to Atlanta	M T W Th F S	2:00 PM	5th day by 8:00 AM	4th day PM				
Los Angeles to Chicago	M T W Th F S	2:00 PM	4th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Los Angeles to Croxton, NJ	M T W Th F S	2:00 PM	6th day by 1:00 PM	5th day PM				
Los Angeles to Dallas	M T W Th F S	9:00 PM	3rd day by12:00 PM	3rd day PM				
Los Angeles to Houston	M T W Th F S	8:00 PM	4th day by 8:00 AM	3rd day PM				
Los Angeles to Memphis	M T W Th F	9:00 PM	4th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Los Angeles to Tacoma	M T W Th F S	3:00 PM	3rd day by 5:00 PM	2nd day PM				
Memphis to Los Angeles	T W Th F S	3:45 PM	4th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Northern California* to Chicago	M T W Th F	1:00 PM	4th day by 8:00 AM	4th day AM				
Salt Lake City to Chicago	M T W Th F	2:00 PM	3rd day by 8:00 AM	3rd day AM				
Tacoma to Chicago	M T W Th F S	2:00 PM	4th day by 3:00 PM	4th day AM				

Service Comparablility Truck Like Truck + 1 Truck + 2

* Northern California = Oakland or Lathrop ramps

Streamline Transit Times in Key Lanes

Misconception – High Damage & Loss

- Not an issue when properly blocked & braced
 - Blocking and bracing is the most important subject when it comes to damage and weight
- RR's do all they can to help
 - Site visits and load diagrams are part of the program





Misconception – Lack Visibility and TMS limitations

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Misconception – Not Good for Big Box Retail

- Much easier to manage the buffer window
 - Preposition the deliveries within 50 miles of destination one to two days before RAD
- Can throw great deal of volume on the lane
 - Think of how many dray moves under 50 miles can be done by a single driver, while the railroad does the heavy lifting on the long haul



Intermodal Need to Knows

What You Need to Know

- 42,500 vs 45,000
- Blocking & Bracing
- IMC's Role in Retail & Wholesale IMDL Market (Shipper & Freight Provider Perspective)
- Pricing Options
 - Guaranteed Capacity
 - Spot Rates
 - Project Rates
- Terminal Storage & Per Diem
 - Not intended to be a revenue source, but a means to encourage equipment to turn
- Commodity
 - Prohibited and Restricted Commodities
- Cut Times
- Review Transits
 - Not all lanes move every day





Blocking, Bracing & Weight

- Blocking, Bracing & Weight are THE Top Issues
- Loads can & will shift in transit Harmonic Vibration
- Can be under gross, but over on axle



Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight 80,000 lbs.

* Federal Maximum Single Axle weight 20,000 lbs.



Creative Solutions with Intermodal

The New Norm... Everyone Join Together!











TDIS is offering OTR with their Dray Solutions!

Modal-X Hot List: *Triple Crown OTR Service Begins Monday 4/13*

Modal-X Hot List

- **LOUP** is offering pricing solutions and capacity for FEMA shipments!
- Railroads are providing solutions to the Retailers
 - Per Diem Relief
- All Transportation Providers are saying "How can we help"

Getting Started

How to Get Started (Freight Providers)

- Evaluate potential routes for mileage, weight, etc. with current customers
- Connect and establish credit with door-to-door IMC's
 - In the door-to-door market this means establishing relationship with Union Pacific, Norfolk Southern, CSX, FEC and Canadian railroads door-to-door divisions. Important to know CN & CP sell retail.
- Find and evaluate options to get to BNSF
 - Unlike the other Class I's, BNSF does not own boxes
- Clear the BCO's (beneficial cargo owners)
- Establish Solutions & Pricing
- Start Moving Freight



How to Get Started (Shippers)

- Evaluate potential routes for mileage, weight, etc. for modal conversion opportunities.
 - IMC's have the tools to help in the process
- Connect with both bi-modals and non-asset IMC's
 - Bi-modals do not necessarily operate same O/D pairings
 - Find a good operational and service mix for your business
- Establish Solutions & Pricing
- Train floor and freight operations teams
- Put test shipments on the lanes
- Turn on 100%, once tests prove successful



Pricing

Spot vs. Contact Savings

- Spot: 5% to 10% savings over spot truckload
- Contract 10% to 15% savings over contract truckload

Pricing Expectations

- Continued spot market weakness that will improve competitiveness against truck.
- Low single digit cost increases expected in the coming RFP season.
- Contract savings to remain in the 10% to 15% savings over contract truckload.





Finding Shippers

Finding Customers

- Review Current Customers & Freight for Conversions
- For Freight Providers Looking for Opportunities Drive the Heavily Populated DC Parks
- Inbound Marketing
- Have shippers seek your company out.
- Blog to position your company as industry experts.
- Use social media to promote high end content and engage with the logistics community.



Questions?

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