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**PROMOTING A NATIONAL TELEMATICS STANDARD FOR HEAVY VEHICLES**

Transport Certification Australia Limited (TCA) presented on the role of telematics in the development of smarter supply chains at the Australian Logistics Council (ALC) Forum in Sydney on Friday 30 March 2012.

Mr Chris Koniditsiotis, the Chief Executive Officer of TCA, described the session as 'a great opportunity to discuss the importance of adopting national standards for in-vehicle telematics as part of a supply chain.'

Mr Koniditsiotis said, 'the use of telematics can help the supply chain to better manage that risk, and I note the ALC has a standing policy to deploy the use of GPS into all long-haul vehicles.

'However, not all telematics systems are created equal. Nor can assurances be provided to other road users if there are no guarantees that telematics systems continue to work in service,' Mr Koniditsiotis said.

Mr Koniditsiotis added that, 'recent incidents involving speed limiter devices highlight the need for standards, and the need for certification and ongoing audit, to ensure that in-vehicle systems continue to work as expected.'

'The market is now recognising the value of national standards, with devices approved by TCA for regulatory purposes increasingly being used in other domains,' Mr Koniditsiotis said.

'Assurance and integrity through telematics can only be achieved if the right frameworks are put in place to make it happen and a national standard, recognised by governments is central to that,' said Mr Koniditsiotis.

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