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Subject Reactivation of GSE Towing Protocols

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Notification

The Ground Support Equipment (GSE) towing directives that were put into place under 2019-D-004 and superseded by directive 2019-D-005 titled "Airside Parking of Vehicles and Ground Service Equipment (GSE) & Notice of Enhanced Enforcement" will be reintroduced as of November 23, 2020. As of that date all aspects of the directive will be in effect.

Background

With the impact of COVID-19 to the airport's operation there was a need to suspend the towing component of the directive while maintaining the enforcement with the Aviation Safety Officers (ASO) being dispatched by the Airport Operations Centre (AOC). As detailed accounts of all GSE impacting events have been well documented since the beginning of 2020, the GTAA has seen a concerning increase of calls on a prorated basis for GSE blocking flight operations with an ASO attending the scene to make the necessary calls to relocate the impacting organization's GSE.

Expected Action

All parties, including airlines, ground handlers and all organizations must review, remind and if necessary, retrain their employees with Directive 2019-D-005 with their AVOP holders. Remember to call into AOC at 416-776-3055 for GSE that is blocking a gate or hardstand or unauthorized parking of GSE in air carrier or ground handler specific locations. Additionally, GSE parked in the roadway of the newly opened Pier G GSE compound is also subject to the towing directive.