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## **Interstate Transport readies for hurricanes Gustav and Hanna with the state of Florida**

**Interstate's Disaster Response Group works around-the-clock during the busy storm season running the state of Florida's freight response center.**

***Saint Petersburg, Florida - August 29, 2008*** - Interstate Transport, Inc., the leading US freight management and logistics company that coordinates disaster response freight for the state of Florida, is readying itself for 2 more major storms expected to hit the area within the next week.

Interstate runs the freight "Movement Coordination Center" at Florida's State Logistics Response Center (SLRC) in Orlando and dispatches a full-time team to run freight operations before and after disaster events. The multi-million dollar state-of-the-art operations center in Orlando is strategically located to provide both pre- and post-storm relief in 8 hours or less.

The SLRC in Orlando stores more than 400 truckloads of general commodities and disaster relief supplies such as water, food, cots, tents, tarps, and other emergency equipment. The center is fully redundant in every area and is the functional operations response center for the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Tallahassee.

Tim Higham, CEO of Interstate said, "We are extremely proud that a Saint Petersburg company has so much responsibility for the citizens of Florida. The state chose our company because of our state-of-the-art InMotion Global software system that provides 'Total Asset Visibility' for all disaster freight, including tracking and tracing of every truck load being moved. Total asset visibility has been the benchmark for freight movement since the lessons learned during Hurricane Katrina. We know of no other state in the nation that has achieved total asset visibility other than Florida. Using Interstate's technology platform, the state EOC, staff, and responders gain real-time visibility regarding where commodities are and when they will arrive."

"Florida leads the way in disaster preparedness and response. Nobody comes close to what we have built with the state of Florida," Higham said. "At its simplest level, it is a matter being ready. It's not like we are unsure we are going to see hurricanes – it's a case of how many and how big they are."

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To find out more about the Interstate Transport disaster management team, go to [www.interstate-transport.com](http://www.interstate-transport.com). Learn more about the InMotion Global software system at [www.inmotionglobal.com](http://www.inmotionglobal.com) or call Mike Olson at 727-822-9999 x 1323.

**ABOUT INTERSTATE TRANSPORT:** Interstate is one of the fastest growing logistics providers in the United States. Based in Saint Petersburg, Florida, Interstate provides logistics services and complete logistics outsourcing solutions including free transportation management software (InMotion Global) to customers across the United States. Interstate's Freight Management Center (FMC) and Disaster Freight Management Center (DFMC) provide: capacity and Internet load tracking for every shipment as needed, routing and load optimization, Internet load tendering, guaranteed appointment setting, and complete efficiency reporting. InMotion Global allows customers to manage every aspect of their logistics needs via the Internet or telephone.