

**Army Transportation Command**  
**Customer and Carrier Advisory**  
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**Update 1**

**Subject:** Cost Estimate Process Update

**Purpose:** To provide customers a single-entry point to obtain cost estimate support for air, ocean, and multi-modal cost estimates. This advisory supersedes the previous advisory CA-21-11-15/0121.

**Be Advised:** Cost estimate requests for transportation requirements are sent to the USTRANSCOM J8 Operational Cost Analysis Cell. TCJ8 remains the single point of contact for validated cost estimates, working directly with Transportation Component Commands (TCCs) to ensure continuity, and establishes a tracking number associated with each estimate. This capability provides collaboration with Defense Transportation System stakeholders, helps customers make better cost-informed decisions, and increases the effectiveness of cost estimation in support of the Global Operations Center (GOC) planning process. Customers at Service Headquarters, Major Commands, and Combatant Command level can utilize this capability for planning purposes.

The TCJ8 Cost Analysis Cell provides and/or coordinates cost estimates for the following types of requirements:

- Liner – Established Billing Rates, Cost Plus, and One Time Only (including S&RTS)
- Air – Validated Air Channel (International)
- Air – SAAM (Organic & Commercial)
- Air – GOPAX Charters
- Multi Modal - Commercial (CMM)

For domestic motor, rail, or barge estimates not associated with a Liner move, contact your unit's servicing Installation Transportation Office (ITO)/Traffic Movement Office (TMO) (or Joint Force HQ/USPFO for the National Guard) in the United States. The TOs/TMOs have many tools readily available to provide cost estimates (e.g., GFM's Rate Quotation application, historical data, etc.). If the requirement meets the criteria for a negotiated tender cost estimate, they will package the requirement onto a DD Form 1085 and submit to the **ARTRANS G3 Special Requirements Branch (SRB)**. Please do not contact ARTRANS G3 SRB directly without working through your servicing TO/TMO. Any domestic motor, rail, or barge estimates received by TCJ8 will be returned/redirected to the proper organization.

**POC:** Send requests via Email: [transcom.scott.tcj8.mbx.cost-estimates@mail.mil](mailto:transcom.scott.tcj8.mbx.cost-estimates@mail.mil) or at USTRANSCOM Public Website:

<https://www.ustranscom.mil/common/transportation-estimate.cfm?menuPrimary=dbw>

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