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A long standing trucking company based in Missoula is under new ownership.

Schneider Trucking simultaneously acquired Watkins and Shepard trucking and another firm called Lodeso back in June. Schneider is based out of Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Just how this will impact the 1,300 employees in Missoula isn't known yet. Watkins and Shepard specializes in 'difficult to ship' goods including furniture and floor covering.

Watkins and Shepard CEO Ray Kuntz says on the company's web page that there is a huge demand for its services and Schneider will help the company meet the demand of people, equipment and facilities to get the job done.

The trucking company has operated in Missoula since the early 1970's.

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