### **COMMERICAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT**

## **NORTHWEST SECTOR:**

#### **Details:**

- 5/11 I89 Williston SB, 6 inspectors screened 312 vehicles. They completed 32 inspections which resulted in 28 vehicle and 6 driver violations. Two vehicles were placed out of service.
- 5/13 I89 Colchester NB, 8 inspectors screened 347 vehicles. They completed 31 inspections which resulted in 53 vehicle and 15 driver violations. Five vehicles, and two drivers were placed out of service.

#### **Crashes:**

• Nothing to report.

#### **Notables:**

• 5/10 Insp. stopped a container truck on I89 operating through Colchester for a load securement infraction. Neither tiedown was secured on the rear of the container. An inspection was conducted and the truck was placed out of service for the infraction. A ticket was issued to the carrier.



• 5/10 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 22a in Shoreham. The trailer was placed out of service for a leaking hub.



• 5/11 Insp. Paul inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The trailer was placed out of service for inoperable brake lamps.



• 5/11 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The trailer was placed out of service as there was loose cargo on the flat bed trailer that had nails in it. There was nothing preventing this object from falling onto the highway.



• 5/12 Insp came upon several disabled vehicles on I89 near exit 8 (Montpelier), including a disabled milk tanker. It was discovered that the tanker had dropped its landing gear pad in the highway and several vehicles had hit it. A level 2 inspection was conducted, the CMV placed out of service and a ticket was issued to the carrier.



• 5/13 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer unit at the Colchester detail. The inspection revealed a tire was flat on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 5/13 Insp. inspected two household goods mover CMV's while at the Colchester detail. Both trucks were in violation of FMCSA household moving regulations. It was also found that the carrier was knowingly permitting unqualified operators. One operator was placed out of service for not having a CDL when required. This case will be forwarded to FMCSA for further follow up.



• 5/13 Insp. inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The carrier was found to have an inactive USDOT #. The vehicle was placed out of service and the carrier was ticketed.



• 5/13 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a flat tire.



• 5/13 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The trailer was placed out of service as it had a severed air hose.



## **Passenger Carrier:**

Nothing to report.

# **High Priority:**

## **Details:**

• 5/14 Rte. 7 Ferrisburgh, 4 inspectors screened 94 vehicles. They completed 15 inspections which resulted in 25 vehicle and 4 driver violations. Four vehicles were placed out of service.

### **Notables:**

• 5/14 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer unit at the Ferrisburgh HP detail. The inspection revealed a tire on the trailer had an active air leak as a nail was imbedded in the tread area of the tire. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 5/14 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh HP detail. The trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps.



• 5/14 Insp. inspected a box truck at the Ferrisburgh HP detail. The truck was placed out of service for a flat tire, 20% or more defective brakes, for failing the air loss test, and for a steer axle tire that had less than 2/32 of an inch of tread in 2 adjacent major tread grooves. The carrier was ticketed.



• 5/14 Insp. inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh HP detail. The trailer was placed out of service as it had a tire leaking air from a piece of metal in the tread.

### **NORTHEAST SECTOR**

#### **Details:**

- 05/11, Wenlock Crossing, Rt 105. Four Inspectors screened 43 vehicles. Eleven inspections were completed. Thirteen vehicle (two out of service) violations were found.
- 05/13 Sector Inspectors joined the Southern Sector at the White River Junction detail.

#### **Crashes:**

None reported.

#### **Notables:**

• 05/10, Coventry NB, I-91. An Inspector stopped and weighed an intrastate CMV for moving and equipment violations. The CMV was found to be operating 7,800 lbs over its registered weight. The owner was provided guidance on increasing the registered weight and a ticket was issued.



- Wenlock detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a four axle CMV transporting plastic culverts placed the CMV out of service for a defective web strap. The required three-inch synthetic web strap had one inch of damage.
- 5/13, White River Jct, I-91S. An Inspector conducted a level 2 inspection on a box truck that had a disconnected suspension component. Investigation found that the truck had been previously inspected the week prior and had the same violation. A ticket was issued to the carrier.
- 05/13, White River Jct, I-91S. An Inspector conducting a Level 1 inspection on a five axle CMV discovered a chafed air hose. The defect met the out of service criteria and the CMV was placed out of service.



# **New Entrant:**

• Eight carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Five audits completed. 28.75 hours.

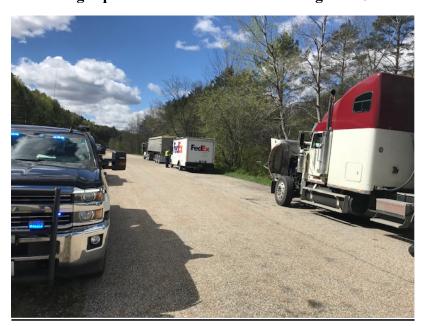
# **Passenger Vehicles:**

• No activity reported.

# **South Sector**

### **Details:**

• 05/11, Emerald Lake, Rt 7. Four Inspectors screened 62 vehicles. The Inspectors completed seven Level 1s, seven Level 2s and one 1 Level 3s, finding a total of eight vehicle and three driver violations. Inspectors checked 10 excess overweight permits and issued fines totaling over \$9124.00.



• 5/13, White River Junction, I-91. Five Inspectors screened 186 vehicles. The Inspectors completed sixteen inspections. The Inspectors found thirteen violations- nine vehicle and four driver. One driver and three vehicles were placed out of service.

#### **NOTABLES:**

• On 05/10 Insp. stopped a 6-axle tractor trailer hauling wood chips on VT Rte 11 in the Town of Peru for suspected excessive weight violations. The 6 axle CMV was weighed on portable scales totaling 139,000lbs on a 99,000lbs overweight permit. The carrier was fined more than \$15,000 for the violation. The carrier was grounded in place and had to offload 40,000lbs to become legal.



- On 05/10 Insp. stopped a 6-axle truck dump trailer from the same carrier as above to verify its excess overweight permit and weight. The truck was found to loaded to 95,000lbs but did not meet the 6 axle 99000lb permit requirements of 51 feet. The truck and trailer measured 48 feet and able to legally carry 90,000lbs. The carrier was forced to obtain a 90,000lb permit. The driver was placed out of service for being medically disqualified in the State of Vermont.
- On 05/11 Insp. at the Emerald Lake detail pulled over a 3-axle dump truck with a weight slip for 62,000lbs. The dump truck was only registered for 25,999lbs not the normal 50,000lbs. The dump truck was 24,000lbs overweight and assessed a fine of over \$6,5000.
- On 05/11 Insp. inspected a 6 axle tractor-dump trailer and determined it did not meet the criteria for a 99,000lbs excess overweight permit. The cmv was weighed on portable scales at 105,400lbs. During the inspection numerous suspension and frame components had separating frame cracks and both the truck and trailer were placed out of service and the carrier was assessed fines over \$1,700.00.





On 05/11 Insp. discovered an oil leak during an inspection at the Emerald Lake detail. The leak was from a cracked repair weld on the axle housing. This defect is a violation only and did not put the vehicle out of service.



- On 05/11 Insp. discovered an air leak in the brake system of a tractor trailer at the Emerald Lake Detail. Both the service and emergency air lines had chaffed and were leaking air. The vehicle was placed out of service.
- On 05/12 Insp. discovered the operator of a CMV engaged in interstate commerce was less than 21 years of age. The operator was placed out of service and educated on the regulation. A licensed passenger took over and continued the trip.

• On 05/12 Insp. located unsecured hand tools under a piece of equipment while working an HP Detail on RT 107. The driver secured the tools and continued the trip.



• On 5/13 Insp.attended MCSAP detail on I 91 WRJ SB when he completed a level 2 inspection on a pickup truck and trailer. The truck had just left a jobsite delivery in Hanover, Nh and was returning to Pa. I large amount of rubber was missing from the tread area on the driver's side steer tire. Closer examination revealed steel belt was visible and sticking out. The driver remembered striking the curb when making the delivery. The truck was placed OOS.



• Sgt. Heberts met with a New Entrant Motor Carrier to look at a new truck and trailer they had purchased along with speaking to employees about load securement procedures.



# **Crashes:**

• None

**New Entrant Safety Audits:** 

No activity reported.