

## **COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (1/3-1/9)**

### **NORTHWEST SECTOR:**

#### **Details:**

- **1/12 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors screened 85 vehicles. They completed 15 inspections which resulted in 10 vehicle and 6 driver violations. Three vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.**
- **1/13 Ferrisburgh, US Rte 7, 4 Inspectors screened 68 vehicles. They completed 23 inspections which resulted in 13 vehicle and 4 driver violations. Two vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.**
- **1/14 Colchester NB, I-89, 7 Inspectors screened 204 vehicles. They completed 28 inspections which resulted in 19 vehicle and 5 driver violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service.**

#### **Crashes:**

- **1/11 Inspector responded to a CMV crash on VT Rte 125 in Hancock. A 2 axle box truck left the roadway and overturned. No injuries were reported. The vehicle was placed out of service for damage resulting from the crash.**



- **1/12 Inspector responded to US Rte 7 in Ferrisburgh for a crash involving a tractor trailer. It was determined that the just prior to the crash the passenger vehicle involved had been pulled into the breakdown lane. As the tractor trailer approached the passenger vehicle operator attempted a U-Turn in front of the on coming tractor trailer. This crash was captured on the tractor trailer's in-cab video system. The passenger vehicle was towed due to disabling damage, the operator of the passenger vehicle was transported to the hospital with injuries sustained in the crash. A Level 1 inspection was conducted, which determined that the tractor trailer had several brakes out of adjustment and an air hose that was defective. These violations and resulting out of service violations were**

pre-existing to the crash. This inspector does not find that these violations are causal factors to this crash.

**Notables:**

- **1/12 Inspector inspected an interstate driveaway towaway at the Fair Haven detail. The carrier was under suspension in VT. The driver had failed to complete a log for the last 3 days. The driver was placed out of service. The driver and carrier were ticketed.**



- **1/12 Inspector conducted an inspection on a 5 axle fuel tanker hauling jet fuel at the Fair Haven detail. The inspection revealed a broken main leaf on the trailer, as well as a flat tire. The trailer was placed out of service.**



- **1/12 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven Scale House. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a flat tire.**
- **1/13 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh HP detail. The inspection revealed co-drivers were present in the truck and the driver operating the truck was not logged into the ELD device; driver was running under his co-driver time on the system. Upon questioning the driver, he**

**admitted to the infraction and claimed his co-driver was uneasy driving in wintry conditions, even though the roads were dry and there was no precipitation present. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours and ticketed for the infraction.**

- **1/13 Inspector inspected an intrastate truck at the Ferrisburgh detail. The vehicle was placed out of service for failing to have a flag on the projecting load. This was also an oversize load that failed to display signs and flags as required.**



- **1/14 Inspector inspected an intrastate dump truck and trailer at the Colchester detail. The trailer was placed out of service for the hydraulic arm not being secured.**
- **1/14 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The driver was placed out of service for failing to complete a log for the last 2.5 days (as he drove from IL to NC to VT).**



- **1/14 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire that was leaking air and the driver's side**

turn signal was inoperable. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a flat tire. The carrier was ticketed for the flat tire.



- 1/15 Inspector inspected an oversize load at the Leicester detail. The trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps and the hydraulic arm being unsecured. The carrier was ticketed.



- 1/15 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Leicester detail. The truck tractor was placed out of service for a flat tire. The carrier was ticketed for the violation.

**Passenger Carrier:**

- Nothing to report.

**NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

**Details:**

- 1/12 Ryegate, I-91 NB. Five Inspectors screened 110 vehicles. Twelve inspections were completed. Nine vehicle (two out of service) and four driver (one out of service) violations were discovered.

- **1/13 Lyndonville Rest Area, I-91 SB. Three Inspectors screened 85 vehicles. Eight inspections were completed. Three vehicle (three out of service) and two driver (one out of service) violations were discovered.**

**Crashes:**

- **None reported.**

**Notables:**

- **1/11 Concord, US Rte 2. An Inspector stopped a box truck with an open rear door. An inspection was completed. It appeared that ice had caused the latch to not properly catch.**



- **1/13 Lyndonville detail. An over dimension CMV was pulled over for a permit check and size verification. The CMV was found to be operating in excess of its permitted weight. An inspection was conducted, the permit was voided, a ticket was issued to the company, and the CMV was grounded until a proper permit was issued.**



- **1/13 Lyndonville detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a flatbed CMV placed the CMV out of service for improper load securement. Web**

**straps over the load of metal bars failed to contact and secure the lower part of the load. A ticket was issued to the company.**



- **1/13 Lyndon detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 3 inspection placed the driver of a box truck CMV out of service for failure to have a record of duty when required. The driver was operating between Hartford, CT and Newport, VT. Guidance was provided to the driver.**

**New Entrant:**

- **Nine carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. 7.75 hours**

**Passenger Vehicles:**

- **No activity reported.**

**SOUTH SECTOR:**

**Details:**

- **1/12 Putney, I-91S, 4 Inspectors screened 234 vehicles. They completed three Level 1, three Level 2s and six Level 3 inspections.**





- **1/14 Randolph, I-91N, 5 Inspectors screened 321 vehicles and checked three permits. The Inspectors completed five Level 1, seven Level 2, and one Level 3. Three driver violations and one vehicle violation were discovered, and one was placed out of service.**



#### **Crashes:**

- **Nothing reported.**

#### **Notables:**

- **1/11 Inspector found a driver with a suspended CDL during an Inspection on US Rte 4 in Bridgewater. The driver was placed out of service.**
- **1/11 Inspector discovered a flat tire and defective airline during a level 2 inspection on US Rte 4 in Bridgewater. The vehicle was placed out of service and repairs were made on site.**



- **1/14 Inspector completed an inspection at the Randolph detail. The driver was found to be in possession of a small amount of marijuana inside a commercial vehicle. The driver was screened by a DMV Drug Recognition Expert and found not to be impaired. The search located two joints, a small amount of green marijuana plant material, and a cigarette pack full of burnt joint ends. The driver was placed OOS. A second vehicle was dispatched by the carrier to retrieve the driver.**



#### **New Entrant Safety Audits:**

- **Inspector completed and uploaded two safety audits to the FMCSA, and started on three additional audits.**
- **Inspector assisted the Dept of Health as part of the Covid19 Tracing Team.**