COMMERICAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

• 11/09, Lyndonville Rest Area, I-91 S. Four Inspectors screened 139 vehicles. Twenty inspections were completed. Twenty-nine vehicle (six out of service) and six driver (two out of service) violations were discovered.

Crashes:

None reported.

Notables:

• 11/09, Lyndonville detail. An Inspector selected a CMV transporting an over dimension piece of equipment for inspection. The CMV was found to be operating without a permit. An inspection was completed and the CMV was grounded until a permit was secured.



- 11/09, Lyndonville detail. An Inspector placed the operator of a CMV for not wearing corrective lenses when required by his medical certificate.
- 11/09, Lyndonville detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection placed the CMV out of service for improper load securement- the front tier of lumber was not blocked by other cargo/headboard and was missing a required strap.

- 11/09, Lyndonville detail. An Inspector placed a trailer out of service for inoperable trailer brakes and defective break away braking cable.
- 11/9, Lyndonville detail. An Inspector conducted an inspection on a CMV and noted several violations which had been previously issued as violations on an inspection in the State of Maine on 8/10/21 (3 out of 5 U bolts which secure the cab to the frame were loose and an air leak at the air resivoir tank). The carrier was issued a VCVC for failing to correct the violations.

New Entrant:

• Eight carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Four audits completed. 25 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

• 11/08 Bridgewater, US Rte. 4, Two Inspectors screened 43 vehicles. They completed 8 inspections which resulted in 7 vehicle and no driver violations. No vehicles were placed out of service.



• 11/09 Bridgewater, US Rte. 4, Three Inspectors screened 48 vehicles. They completed 10 inspections which resulted in 7 vehicle and 4 driver violations. 1 vehicle and 2 drivers were placed out of service.



• 11/10 Emerald Lake Pull off, US Rte. 7, three inspectors screened 33 vehicles. They completed 8 inspections. Which resulted in 14 vehicle and 3 driver violations, 2 vehicles and 1 driver were placed out of service.

Crashes:

• 11/12 Inspectors responded to a reported single vehicle crash involving a CMV in Waterbury.



• 11/12 Inspector came across a single vehicle crash on I89S in the Town of Randolph. The passenger car hydroplaned off the road during heavy rain, went into the median, and struck a tree. There were no injuries.



Notables:

• 11/08 Inspector located multiple broken shocks during an inspection on RT 4 in Bridgewater. These defects do not meet the out of service criteria and were documented as a violation only.



• 11/08 Inspector discovered chaffed air lines during an inspection on US Rte. 4 in Bridgewater.



• On 11/08, during a level 1 inspection on US Rte. 4 in Bridgewater, Inspector discovered the operator was operating with a suspended license and failed to

have a medical card. Further investigation revealed the CMV had a significant brake defect and was also placed out of service.

- 11/09 Inspector discovered the operator of a CMV had a CDL that was medically disqualified, during an inspection on US Rte. 4 in Bridgewater. The driver was placed out of service.
- 11/09 Inspector discovered an oil leak from a cracked repair weld on an axle housing during an inspection on US Rte. 4 in Bridgewater.



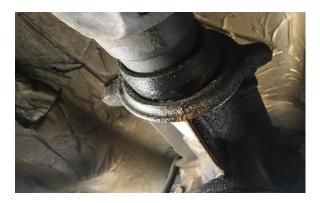
• 11/10 Inspector discovered a flat tire during a level 1 inspection at the Emerald Lake Pull Off on Rte. 7. The vehicle was placed out of service and repaired on site.



• 11/10 Inspector located two broken leaf spring assemblies during a level 1 inspection on US Rte. 7 at the Emerald Lake Pull Off. In addition to the broken springs one out of adjustment brake was located. The vehicle was placed out of service and towed.



• 11/10 Inspector discovered a significant oil leak from the transmission of a CMV during a level 1 inspection at the Emerald Lake Pull Off. The oil was pooling on the ground during the inspection.



• 11/10 Inspector discovered a rusted crossmember during a level 1 inspection at the Emerald Lake detail. The defect, located under the CMV cargo body, did not meet the out of service criteria and was marked as a violation.



• 11/10 Inspector discovered an audible air leak at the value assembly. The CMV was able to maintain air pressure and was not put out of service.



• 11/10 Inspector discovered an operator with no logs during a level 1 inspection at the Emerald Lake detail. The driver advised that her ELD had malfunctioned over a week ago and that she had been all over the west and east coasts and had not kept any record of duty status. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours.

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 11/9 Rte. 7 Leicester SB, 7 inspectors screened 143 vehicles. They completed 24 inspections which resulted in 28 vehicle and 9 driver violations. Two vehicles and two drivers were placed out of service.
- 11/10 Rte. 4 Fair Haven, 6 inspectors screened 125 vehicles. They completed 25 inspections which resulted in 24 vehicle and 5 driver violations. Eight vehicles and one driver were placed out of service.

Crashes:

• Nothing to report.

Notables:

• 11/8 Inspector stopped a log truck on Rte. 117 in Jericho for a suspected overweight infraction. A subsequent inspection and portable weigh revealed the log truck and trailer combination was 6000 lbs. over its permitted 99000lb weight. A ticket was issued to the carrier.



• 11/8 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 22a in Shoreham. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for having a false log. The driver admittedly drove off duty to save hours after presenting another driver's logs.



- 11/9 Inspector inspected an interstate truck at the Leicester detail. The driver was placed out of service for operating a CMV without a CDL and for an expired medical card. The carrier was under suspension in VT. The vehicle was placed out of service as the carrier has no operating authority. The carrier was ticketed.
- 11/9 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Leicester detail. The driver was placed out of service as his CDL had been downgraded to a regular operator's license. The trailer was placed out of service for a blown air suspension bag.
- 11/9 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer unit at the Leicester detail. The inspection revealed a glad hand hose was chafed and the reinforcement ply was visible and frayed constituting an out of service violation. The combination was placed out of service for repair.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer hauling hazardous materials at the Fair Haven detail. The pallet of HM was not secured at all. Other pallets had fallen over in transit, spilling cargo all over the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service until the HM was secured.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected a vehicle with a flat tire at the Fair Haven detail. The driver was able to reinflate the tire to get back in service.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. A platform weigh revealed the tractor trailer was 8000 lbs. over its 99000 lb. permitted weight. The carrier was issued a ticket.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The inspection revealed a tire was severely deflated on the loaded fuel tanker. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for having a false log. The driver

admittedly drove off duty from TN to PA in order to save hours on his log. He was also placed out of service as he was prohibited from operating in accordance with the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.



• 11/10 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a flat tire.



• 11/12 Inspector was called to assist Essex Police with a truck / trailer combination that had got stuck and was blocking traffic on Susie Wilson Rd. On-scene officers advised that the truck was in poor shape and the driver was

not able to answer questions due to a language barrier. Upon arrival a level 2 inspection was conducted. The driver and vehicle were both placed out of service and the vehicle was towed from the scene.



11/12 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 22a in Shoreham. The trailer was placed out of service for no operable brake lamps.



• 11/12 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer on Rte. 17W in Addison. The driver was placed out of service for his CDL being disqualified. He was also placed out of service for being in possession of marijuana and a narcotic. The driver was ticketed for the marijuana and issued a criminal citation for possession of a narcotic.





• 11/12 Inspector was called to assist UVM Police Services with a box truck that had narrowly missed hitting several students and then crashed into the Gutterson Fieldhouse. The residential life student driver advised that the brakes had "gone out" on the box truck. A level 7 inspection was completed, and it was found that the brakes on the box truck were operating properly. UVM Police was continuing its investigation. The box truck did not meet FMCSR inspection requirements.



Passenger Carrier:

• Nothing to report.