COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (4/4-4/10) NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 4/6 Williston NB, I-89, 5 Inspectors and 1 DMV Compliance Investigator screened 235 vehicles. They completed 35 inspections which resulted in 48 vehicle and 9 driver violations. Eight vehicles and three drivers were placed out of service.
- 4/7 Ira WB, US Rte 4, 5 Inspectors screened 128 vehicles. They completed 30 inspections which resulted in 31 vehicle and 12 driver violations. Five vehicles and four drivers were placed out of service.
- 4/8 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, 5 Inspectors screened 147 vehicles. They
 completed 22 inspections which resulted in 44 vehicle and 11 driver violations.
 Four vehicles and two drivers were placed out of service.

Crashes:

• 4/9 Inspector was dispatched to the report of a property damage crash on VT Rte. 15 in Hyde Park involving a dump truck hauling an equipment trailer. It was reported the commercial vehicle was struck by a passenger vehicle as the dump truck was turning off VT Rte. 15. The car was towed from the scene. The Inspector responded to the company's terminal on N. Hyde Park Rd. to conduct the post-crash inspection. No defects were discovered other than those caused by the collision. The Lamoille County Sheriff's Dept. is continuing their inquiry into the causation of the crash.



Notables:

 4/6 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The inspection revealed the stop lamps were inoperative on the trailer and the trailer was not inspected. The trailer was placed out of service for repair and a ticket was issued to the carrier.



- 4/6 Inspector inspected a heavy wrecker towing a box truck at the Williston detail. The inspection revealed the towaway lights on the truck were inoperable. The combination was placed out of service.
- 4/6 Inspector inspected & weighed a suspected superload (large generator) that was going to an electric substation in Williston. The vehicle was permitted for 135,000 lbs, however it weighed 160,500 lbs. The permit was voided and the carrier was directed to DMV Permits for a superload permit.



• 4/6 Inspector inspected an intrastate haz-mat hauler at the Williston detail. The shipping papers and HM markings did not accurately represent the HM on board. The carrier was ticketed and the vehicle was placed out of service until the markings were correct.



• 4/6 Inspector inspected an intrastate dump truck hauling machinery at the Williston detail. The driver's CDL was downgraded due to an expired medical card. The driver was placed out of service until his current med card was placed on file.



• 4/6 Inpector inspected a truck hauling water at the Williston detail. The vehicle was declared out of service as a result of fuel found leaking from the vehicles fuel pump onto the pavement and 25 percent of its brakes found to be out of adjustment.



- 4/6 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer truck at the Williston detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire that was leaking air from a nail embedded in it.
- 4/6 Inspector inspected a box truck at the Williston detail. The truck was placed out of service for an inoperable parking brake.



• 4/7 Cpl. Morris inspected a truck towing a car hauler at the Ira detail. The inspection revealed an inner wheel seal was leaking on the trailer contaminating the brake components. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 4/7 Cpl. Morris inspected a tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The inspection revealed the truck tractor had an air leak and failed the air drop test and the trailer had two defective tires on the same axle constituting an out of service infraction. Both the truck and trailer were placed out of service and the carrier was ticketed.



• 4/7 Cpl. Paul inspected an interstate dump truck at the Ira detail. The driver was ticketed and placed out of service as his CDL was restricted to intrastate operations only.



• 4/7 Insp. Hanley inspected a tractor trailer at the Ira detail. The driver was placed out of service for a false log. The driver intentionally disconnected his blue tooth from his log in order to drive while showing in sleeper berth. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty.



• 4/8 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The inspection revealed the rearmost stop lights on the intermodal trailer were inoperable. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 4/8 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The driver had no valid medical card and had falsely self-certified that he was excepted. The driver was ticketed and placed out of service.



• 4/8 Inspector inspected a truck and trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The truck was placed out of service as the parking brake was inoperable. The trailer was placed out of service as the passenger side rear turn signal was inoperable.



• 4/8 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours off duty for an intentional false log. The driver placed himself off duty and continued to drive on several different days.



• 4/9 Inspector conducted a traffic stop on a tractor trailer for a speed infraction through the I89 safety corridor in Winooski. A subsequent inspection revealed the driver's CDL had been revoked by the State of Georgia for a medical card matter. The driver was placed out of service for the licensing infraction.

Passenger Carrier:

Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 4/6 Waterford Welcome Center, I-93. Five Inspectors screened 145 vehicles.
 Three Level 1, eighteen Level 2, and four Level 3 inspections were completed.
 Twenty-two vehicle (four out of service) and six driver (one out of service) violations were discovered.
- 4/8 Coventry Village, US Rte 5. Five Inspectors screened 80 vehicles. Twelve inspections were completed. Twenty vehicle (one out of service) and one driver violations were detected.

Crashes:

No crashes were reported.

Notables:

• 4/6 Inspectors stopped a CMV that failed to stop for inspection at the Waterford detail. An inspection was completed. Marijuana was detected and found. A ticket was issued for the marijuana in an open container, which a passenger in the CMV claimed it was his.



• 4/6 Waterford detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a two axle CMV placed the CMV out of service for a defective steer axle. Due to an alignment issue, the CMV's outboard side was worn to the steel belt layer. A ticket was issued to the company.



• 4/8 Coventry detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 1 inspection on a four axle CMV discovered a leak in the exhaust system under the driver's cab. There were also holes in the floorboards which resulted in the violation being an out of service. A ticket was issued to the company.



New Entrant:

• Seventeen carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Six audits completed. 29.75 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

• No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

• Bennington, VT Rte 279, 5 Inspectors and 1 Bennington County Deputy screened 87 vehicles and weighed two vehicles. They completed 15 inspections resulting in 2 driver violations and 12 vehicle violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service. Two super load permitted vehicles were weighed and measured one being 170,500 lbs and the other 242,000 lbs 16 feet wide and 15'6" high.





• 4/8 Springfield NB, I91, 4 Inspectors screened 191 vehicles and weighed 2 vehicles. They completed 9 inspections resulting in 2 driver violations and 9 vehicle violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service.

Crashes:

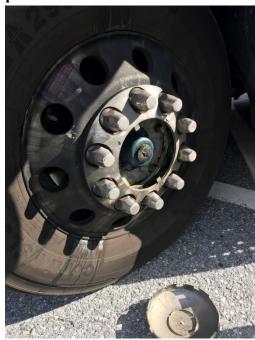
• Nothing to report.

Notables:

- Inspector found an altered trailer spec plate while completing a Level 2 HazMat inspection at the Vt Rte 279 detail. The spec plate is on a Mississippi Cargo MC331 cargo tank trailer. The VIN did not match what was on the NY registration. The Inspector contacted NICB and NY authorities and the tank manufacture. Investigation is continuing.
- 4/6 Inspector discovered brake linings worn below ¼ inch during an inspection at the Vt Rte 279 detail in Bennington. This violation did not meet the out of service criteria, so the violation was documented on the inspection and the vehicle could continue.



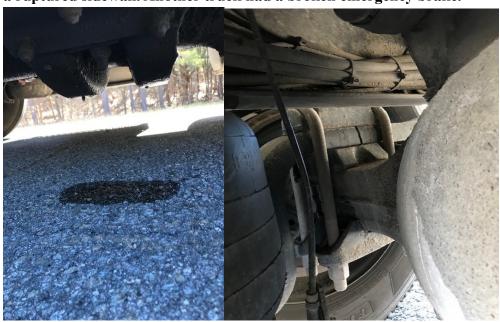
• 4/7 Inspector located a leaking hub on the steer axle of a tractor trailer during an inspection at the Ira rest area on US Rte 4. Additionally, the driver had no record of duty status, ELD or paper logs. Both the vehicle and the driver were placed out of service.



• 4/7 Inspector found this tire with cord showing in the sidewall during an inspection at the Ira rest area. An additional tire was also flat, and the vehicle was placed out of service.



• 4/8 Inspector located several violations at the Springfield detail. One truck had an active diesel fuel leak and a broken main leaf spring. A trailer had a tire with a ruptured sidewall. Another truck had a broken emergency brake.





New Entrant:

• Inspector continued to work on two new entrant safety audits. One carrier claims their operations are in Vermont; however, their principal place of business is in New Jersey. Follow up continuing.

Passenger Vehicle:

• Nothing to report.