COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (5/30-6/5) NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 6/1 Colchester NB, I-89, 6 Inspectors screened 380 vehicles. They completed 23 inspections which resulted in 43 vehicle and 18 driver violations. Five vehicles and four drivers were placed out of service.
- 6/3 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors screened 128 vehicles. They completed 26 inspections which resulted in 41 vehicle and 8 driver violations. Three vehicles were placed out of service.
- 6/4 Leicester SB, US Rte 7, 5 Inspectors screened 94 vehicles. They completed 28 inspections which resulted in 16 vehicle and 4 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service.

Crashes:

Nothing to report.

Notables:

• 6/1 Inspector inspected a dump truck at the Colchester detail. The inspection revealed the drop axle was defective so the driver could not use it while driving down the Interstate. Therefore, the 69000 pound permit was invalid and the dump truck was only allowed to weigh 55000 lbs. Additionally, a tire was severely deflated on the truck. The carrier was ticketed for being 14000 lbs overweight and the truck was placed out of service for the tire defect.



• 6/1 Inspector inspected a box truck at the Colchester detail. The driver presented paper logs and advised they traveled from Plattsburgh, NY to Boston, MA overnight. A log exam revealed the driver was currently in violation of the 14 hour rule. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours.



• 6/1 Inspector inspected an interstate truck and trailer at the Colchester detail.

One of the trailer wheels was missing a cap, allowing an open view into the hub assembly. The carrier "repaired" the defect by covering it with tape. The vehicle was placed out of service until properly repaired.



• 6/1 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Colchester detail. The truck tractor was placed out service for a flat tire.



• 6/2 Inspector stopped a tow truck in interstate commerce on VT Rte. 22A in Orwell as the rear most vehicle it was towing was dragging on the highway. An inspection was conducted and the truck was placed out of service as the rear most tow bar light was inoperable and the rear most vehicle was dragging on the highway. The driver was placed out of service for not having a valid medical certificate with a prior violation for the same.



• 6/3 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The trailer was placed out of service for an improperly repaired brake hose.



• 6/3 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Fair Haven detail. The truck tractor was placed out of service as a brake can had a non-manufactured hole in the spring brake housing of the parking brake.



• 6/3 Inspector inspected a box truck at the Fair Haven Scale House. The truck was placed out of service as the passenger side rear turn signal was inoperable.



• 6/4 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Leicester detail. The inspection revealed the driver was unable to produce any duty log for this day and the duty logs for the previous 7 days. The driver was placed out of service for the infraction.



Passenger Carrier:

• Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

• 6/3 Cozy Corners Brighton, Vt Rt 114. Two inspectors and an auditor screened 46 vehicles. Twelve inspections were completed. Thirty-three vehicle (two out of service) and two driver violations were discovered.

Crashes:

• Nothing to report.

Notables:

• 6/1 Inspectors certified to conduct radiological inspections conducted a Level VI point of origin inspection. No violations were discovered.



- 6/2 Newbury, US Rt 5. An Inspector stopped and inspected a CMV transporting food. The CMV was not properly marked with the carrier name/USDOT number. The driver/owner was provided guidance.
- 6/2 Newbury, US Rt 5. An Inspector stopped and inspected a two axle concrete tradesman's CMV. The driver was not in possession of a valid medical certificate and the emergency brake on the CMV was inoperable. The CMV was placed out of service and the driver, who had no prior violation for medical certificate, was issued a warning.
- 6/2 Newbury, US Rt 5. An inspector stopped a dump truck towing a trailer. One of the safety chains had become disconnected and was dragging on the roadway. A Level 2 inspection was completed and the driver was grateful for the stop as it prevented the chain from becoming damaged.
- 6/2 Newbury, US Rt 5. An inspector stopped and completed a Level 2 inspection on a delivery CMV. The CMV was placed out of service for a defective tire.



• 6/3 Brighton detail. An inspection was completed an on empty six axle CMV towing a chip trailer. The CMV was found to have defective brakes. The front brakes on the left side failed to contact the drum and the slack adjuster on the right side was not connected to the brake s-camshaft. The CMV was placed out of service.



• 6/3 Springfield detail, I-91. An inspector attending a detail with the South Sector conducted a Level 2 inspection of an over dimension CMV. The CMV was found to be over the permitted width and had defective chains. The CMV was grounded until properly permitted and placed out of service for the defective chains.



• 6/4 Ferdinand, VT Rt 105. An inspector stopped and inspected a CMV with improper lighting. The trailer of the CMV had amber tail lamps. The carrier was issued a warning and advised that their safety rating was a 95 and that they should anticipate additional inspections forthcoming at fixed site details.



New Entrant:

 Ten carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Three audits completed. 30.75 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

• No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

• 6/3 Springfield, I-91N, 7 Inspectors screened 210 vehicles. They completed 17 inspections resulting in 7 vehicle and 3 driver violations. One driver and four vehicles were placed out of service.



Crashes:

• 6/4 Inspector responded to a tractor trailer crash on I91 in Springfield. The driver advised the CMV was equipped with a collision mitigation system which detected a car merging onto the interstate and applied the vehicles brakes. The driver lost control and the vehicle started to hydroplane, struck the guard rail then came to rest in the median.



Notables:

• 6/1 Inspectors inspected a tractor trailer transporting radiological material from Ontario to Massachusetts. A thorough and violation free inspection is

- required to enter the US and continue to its destination. The CMV was determined to be free of any violations.
- 6/2 Inspector stopped a two-axle dump being operated by a municipality for unsafe transportation of material from a gravel pit to their facility to be stock piled for later use. The driver and local municipality were educated and warned for transporting such heavy weights with a vehicle not rated for this weight along with negligent and improper loading of material so it would not fall off and hit other vehicles and persons.
- 6/3 Inspector took a complaint of log trucks operating across a 16000 lbs posted bridge. The log truck owner is familiar to this area and was told to contact the town and determine a solution to gather the logs.
- 6/3 Inspector was called to assist Royalton PD and Orange County Sheriff's Department with a consent search they had done on a CMV. The vehicle was a tri-axle dump truck and was initially stopped by the Royalton PD Officer for a license plate violation. While speaking with the operator the Officer detected an odor of marijuana. The Officer obtained consent, searched the vehicle and located a pipe, grinder, and ½ grams of marijuana inside a plastic bag, submerged in the driver's water bottle which was inside the cab. The driver admitted to smoking earlier that morning. Additionally, the driver's CDL had been downgraded to a class D license for not submitting current medical card information. A level 3 inspection was completed, the driver was placed out of service, tickets were issued, and FMCSA was notified.
- 6/3 Inspector located a defective leaf spring assembly during a level 1 inspection at the Springfield NB detail. The main spring was bent and dislodged from the hanger. One of the hub caps was also missing allowing open view into the hub assembly. The vehicle was placed out of service.





• 6/1 Inspectors attended a Click It or Ticket It event at the White River Juncion rest area.



New Entrants:

• Two Safety Audits were completed and uploaded, and one inactivation was initiated.

Passenger Vehicle:

• Nothing to report.