

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (8/15-8/21)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- **8/17 Leicester, US Rte 7, 3 Inspectors screened 172 vehicles. They completed 15 inspections which resulted in 22 vehicle and 4 driver violations. Five vehicles were placed out of service.**
- **8/19 Ira, US Rte 4W, 4 Inspectors screened 106 vehicles. They completed 16 inspections which resulted in 2 vehicle and 3 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service.**

Crashes:

- **8/18 Inspector responded to Williston for a dump truck that lost its dump body on I89. The driver of the empty dump truck was northbound on I89 and failed to disengage the PTO. When the driver shifted into 5th gear, the dump body raised. The dump body collided with the Brownell Rd overpass. The force of the collision sheared the dump body from the vehicle, and it landed on the interstate. There were no injuries, and a post-crash inspection was conducted. The roadway required repairs and the bridge was assessed for damage.**



Notables:

- **8/17 Inspector inspected an interstate truck hauling hazardous materials at the Leicester detail. The driver's shipping paper stated there were no HM. The HM was unsecured and had shifted in transit. The vehicle was placed out of service until the HM was secure and the driver had the proper shipping papers.**



- **8/17 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Leicester detail. The inspection revealed a suspension air bag was leaking and deflated on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.**



- **8/17 Inspector inspected a dump truck at the Leicester detail. The inspection revealed the low air warning alarm was inoperative and a tire was bald and had a bulge in the tread with signs of separation. The dump truck was placed out of service for repair and a ticket was issued to the company.**



- **8/19 Inspector conducted an inspection on a 2-axle box truck at the Ira detail. The driver was found to be prohibited from performing safety-sensitive functions in the Drug Alcohol Clearinghouse. The driver was issued a ticket and placed out of service until prohibition is removed from the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.**
- **8/20 Inspector stopped a truck displaying a Corrosive placard on one side and Dangerous placards on the other 3 sides. An inspection was conducted, and it was determined that none of the displayed placards were correct. Four Oxidizer placards were required. The truck was placed out of service until the placards were correct.**



Passenger Vehicle:

- **Nothing to report.**

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- **8/19 Derby Line Port of Entry, I-91 S. Two Inspectors and an Auditor screened 65 vehicles. Two Level 1, six Level 2, and one Level 3 inspections were completed. Nine vehicle (two out of service) violations were discovered.**

Crashes:

- **None reported.**

Notables:

- **8/17 Charleston, VT Rte 105. An Inspector stopped a passenger vehicle for speeding- 82 MPH in a posted 50 MPH zone. A ticket was issued to the operator.**
- **8/17 St Johnsbury, US Rte 2. An Inspector conducted a Level 1 inspection and placed the CMV out of service for a flat tire and a defective brake hose (chaffed through outer reinforcement layer).**
- **8/19 Derby Line Port of Entry. An Inspector conducting a level 1 inspection found several violations on a CMV. A 4.5 inch crack was found on the side rail of the trailer frame which was directed towards the lower flange, loose U bolts securing the leaf springs, and defective chains (bent links) were used to secure 30,000 lbs blocks of granite.**



- **8/19 Derby, US Rte 5. An Inspector stopped a two-axle landscape truck which had a registered weight of 9,999 pounds. The truck was loaded with large stones, a portable weigh was conducted, and the total weight was found to be**

19,900 pounds. The owner of the truck and landscape company was educated on how to increase the registered weight of their truck.

- 8/20 Ferdinand, VT Rte 105. An Inspector stopped a two-axle truck hauling gravel. The truck was registered for 38,000 pounds, was weighed on portable scales, and found to weigh 42,500 pounds. A Level 2 inspection was completed and the owner was advised to increase the registered weight. The Inspector will follow up to verify that the registered weight of the CMV has been increased.
- 8/20 East Haven, VT Rte 114. An Inspector stopped a passenger car for multiple moving violations and the vehicle was found to be bearing registration plates that were not assigned to it. The operator was ticketed for the violation. A passenger in the vehicle was found to have an active in-state warrant for their arrest. Per the courts request the male was issued a new court date and the warrant was removed from NCIC.

New Entrant:

- Thirteen carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Three audits completed. 31.25 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

- No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 8/17 Andover, Vt Rte 11, 2 Inspectors completed 7 inspections which resulted in 6 vehicle and 1 driver violation. One vehicle was placed out of service. Drivers provided great feedback and were happy to see us back doing inspections on Vt Rte 11.
- 8/19 Sharon, I-89N, 3 Inspectors completed 7 inspections which resulted in 5 vehicle violations.

Crashes:

- 8/19 Inspector responded to crash on I-89 N near exit 5. A passenger car was attempting to pass a tractor trailer in the rain when they lost control and struck the front of the tractor trailer. The impact broke axle positioning components and the CMV went off the road into the ditch. A post-crash inspection and portable weigh were completed. The CMV had a gross weight of approximately 118,000 lbs. The carrier was issued a ticket for the overweight violation.



Notables:

- **8/17 Inspector conducted a Level 2 hazmat cargo tank inspection on a 2 axle delivery truck transporting Class 3 fuel. During the inspection the Inspector found two of the six bolts securing the cargo tank to the frame loose and both bolts were able to be turned by hand. The cargo tank, which was a DOT 406 specification package had no test marking displayed since the manufactured date of May 2016. The carrier was issued fines for both the test marks and loose bolts.**



- **8/18-20 Inspector attended the DEA hosted New England Level-A Clandestine Lab recertification. They covered current drug trends, smuggling, recent clandestine labs in New England and a review of Level-A suit work via drug lab scenarios and simulated first aid responses. (Tourniquet work, wound packing, chest seals).**



Passenger Vehicle:

- **Nothing to report.**

New Entrant:

- **8/20 Inspector continued to work on new entrant safety audits and completed 1 offsite audit.**