COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (8/2-8/8)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 8/4 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4, 6 Inspectors screened 285 vehicles. They completed 24 inspections which resulted in 35 vehicle and 14 driver violations. Seven vehicles and two drivers were placed out of service.
- 8/6 Colchester NB WS, I-89, 6 Inspectors screened 411 vehicles. They completed 28 inspections which resulted in 32 vehicle and 6 driver violations. Six vehicles and two drivers were placed out of service.



Crashes:

No crashes reported.

Notables:

• 8/3 Inspector came across a one car collision on VT Rte 2A in Williston. The driver crossed oncoming traffic, hit a telephone and a tree. The driver was screened for impairment and the car was towed.



• 8/4 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer that failed to pull into the Fair Haven detail. The driver was placed out of service for having his log in AOBRD mode.



• 8/4 Inspector inspected an interstate tractor trailer. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire leaking air, due to a lodged nail.



• 8/4 A tractor trailer was inspected at the Fair Haven Scale House. The trailer was placed out of service for a tire leaking air from a hole.



• 8/4 A tractor trailer was inspected at the Fair Haven Scale House. The truck tractor was placed out of service for an air leak not at a proper connection. The

trailer was placed out of service as none of the sliding suspension pins were engaged.



- 8/5 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer operating on I89 through Colchester. A subsequent inspection revealed the driver did not have logs as his device was not hooked up integrally to the truck and the trailer did not have operable stop lamps. The driver and trailer were placed out of service. A ticket was issued to the carrier.
- 8/5 VSP aired a BOL for a box truck where a male was seen being shut in the cargo area before the vehicle drove away. An Inspector located the vehicle on I89 in Williston. A male was located riding in the cargo section. An inspection was conducted. The driver had no log book at all and his license was suspended. Tickets were issued to the carrier and the driver. The extra passenger was given a ride to the rest area, where the vehicle was grounded.



• 8/5 A tractor trailer was stopped for speeding in Shoreham. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service as a tire was leaking air from a hole made by a piece of metal.



8/5 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer operating on US Rte 7 in Colchester for a suspected load securement violation. The driver had secured pallets of fertilizer and only utilized one strap on the first pallet which was not blocked by a headerboard. The inspection revealed each pallet was over 1100 pounds and two straps were required. The driver corrected the out of service defect.



• Inspector observed a jeep towing a trailer on I89 NB in S. Burlington. The trailer's driver side tire was missing, and the hub was contacting the ground, damaging the roadway. As a motor vehicle stop was initiated, part of the hub broke off and hit the cruiser's windshield. The driver advised he knew the tire was flat, but was unaware there was none of it left. The vehicle was grounded, and a wrecker was called to tow if off the highway.



• 8/5 A tractor trailer was stopped in Shoreham for a missing wheel flap on the trailer. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service for a tire that had a cut in the sidewall and was leaking air.



8/6 Inspector inspected a UPS truck at the Colchester northbound detail. The inspection revealed the passenger side steer tire was defective as metal ply was exposed in the circumference of the outer tread. The vehicle was placed out of service for repair.



• 8/6 Inspector inspected an interstate truck and trailer at the Colchester detail. The trailer was placed out of service for a missing bearing (hub) cap.



• 8/7 A tractor trailer was stopped for speeding on VT Rte 22a in Shoreham. An inspection was conducted, and the trailer was placed out of service for a tire that was leaking air from a hole in it.



Passenger Carrier:

Nothing to report

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

- 8/5 Waterford Welcome Center. I-93, 4 Inspectors screened 140 vehicles. Eleven inspections were completed. Sixteen vehicle and two driver violations were discovered.
- 8/6 Ryegate Rest Area, I-91N, 4 Inspectors screened 110 vehicles. Eleven (one hazardous materials) inspections were completed. Twenty-seven vehicle (four out of service) and two driver violations were discovered.

Crashes:

None reported.

Notables:

- 8/6 Inspector assisted the Canaan Schools with submitting the proper paperwork to conduct third party testing.
- 8/7 Inspector travelled a proposed bus route in Waterford after a request to provide guidance. The proposed route contained numerous "S" turns along with no safe turn around area for the bus along the route. The Inspector forwarded his observations to Commercial Vehicle Operations.
- 8/7 Inspector stopped and weighed a six axle CMV transporting logs on US Rte 2 in Concord. The CMV was found to be 10,900 lbs over permitted road limit. The trailer was placed out of service for a defective suspension component- a broken leaf spring with separation between the pieces.
- 8/7 Inspector stopped a farm truck after observing the operator speaking on a cell phone. A ticket was issued.



- Notable equipment violations at details. Every one of these violations should have been detected during routine systematic maintenance and/or proper pretrip inspections and repaired prior to operation:
- Cracked leaf spring:



• Loose U-bolt:



• Out of service- missing locking pin:



• Out of service- cracks above fifth wheel





• Out of service- kinked air brake hose



• Defective tire- ticket issued



New Entrant:

• Six carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Two audits were completed. 11.5 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

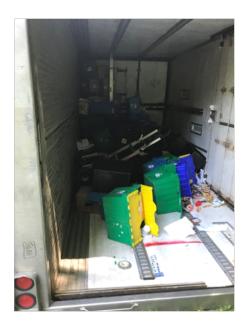
Details:

• 8/4 Inspectors from the Southern unit joined the Northwest Unit for a detail at the Fair Haven Scale House.

Crashes:

• 8/5 Inspectors responded to a reported tractor trailer rollover on Johnson Rd in Windsor. Inspector observed that a tractor and trailer had been traveling east on Johnson Rd with a load of store supplies when the truck and trailer overturned onto the passenger side. The tractor trailer was still in the position of final rest and blocking most of both lanes of the roadway. A level 1 inspection was started on scene. Inspector traveled to the Mount Ascutney Hospital to meet with the driver. The driver told the Inspector that during a delivery from Rutland to Windsor he encountered a downed tree resting on some telephone wires. The driver stated that he pulled the truck off to the right side of the road and attempted to driver underneath the tree which was resting on the wires. The driver stated that as he traveled under the tree at approximately 5mph the truck and trailer overturned. The inspection was completed the next day at the tow facility.





Notables:

- 8/3 Inspector conducted a directed patrol in Peru on VT Rte 11 and US Rte 7 in Manchester. Three stops were made. Two level 2 inspections were conducted.
- 8/4 Inspector conducted an inspection on this truck and trailer at the Fair Haven detail. During a level 1 inspection the driver advised that both coolers in the rear of the truck contained alcohol. The beer was disposed of and the driver placed out of service for 24 hours.



• 8/5 Inspector was patrolling VT Rte 100 in Rochester. During this time, he observed a motorcycle traveling south and that the operator was not wearing a helmet. He conducted a traffic stop and issued the operator a ticket for no helmet. He also observed a box truck traveling south and the driver with no seatbelt on. A traffic stop was conducted and while speaking with the operator discovered that he was delivering packages for Amazon. An inspection was performed and, the driver issued a ticket for no seatbelt.

New Entrant:

• One offsite safety audit was completed, 1 carrier was inactivated, 5 carrier's documentation was reviewed and safety audit initiation begun.

Passenger Carrier:

No activity to report.