# COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (9/12-9/18) NORTHWEST SECTOR:

## **Details:**

- 9/21 Georgia Rest Area, I-89S, 4 Inspectors screened 138 vehicles. They completed 11 inspections which resulted in 8 vehicle and 2 driver violations. One vehicle was placed out of service.
- 9/23 Leicester Pull Off, US Rte 7S, 3 Inspectors screened 98 vehicles. They
  completed 12 inspections which resulted in 7 vehicle violations.

#### **Crashes:**

• 9/20 Inspector responded to a single vehicle dump truck crash on VT Rte 104 in Fairfax. The driver was reported to be uninjured however the truck received disabling damage and had to be towed from the scene. Upon arrival, the responding VSP Trooper advised the driver admitted he was to blame for the crash and left the roadway due to inattention. A post-crash inspection was conducted, and the truck was placed out of service due to front end suspension damage, an inoperative front wheel/tire, and a ruptured fuel tank. A driver violation was noted for lanes marked for travel.



#### **Notables:**

• 9/21 Inspector conducted an inspection on a 3 axle flatbed at the Georgia detail. The vehicle had (4) 1700 lb. concrete blocks not against a header board secured with one strap. The vehicle was placed OOS until another strap was installed.



# **Passenger Carrier:**

Nothing to report

## **NORTHEAST SECTOR:**

#### **Details:**

- 9/21 Lunenburg, US Rte 2 pull off. Three Inspectors screened 48 vehicles. Eight inspections were completed. Nine vehicle (two out of service) and one driver violations were discovered.
- 9/22 Morrisville, VT Rte 100. Three Inspectors screened 38 vehicles. Ten inspections were completed. Six vehicle (two out of service) and one driver violations were discovered.

## **Crashes:**

Nothing to report.

## **Notables:**

• 9/21 Lunenburg detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a six axle chip trailer placed the trailer out of service for load securement violation-leaking/spilling cargo. The wood chips were loaded too high at the rear of the trailer resulting in the chips cascading out the rear of the trailer. The driver manually unloaded wood chips until the violation was no longer present. A portable weigh of the CMV indicated that the vehicle was not overweight.



• 9/21 Lunenburg detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a six axle CMV noted a violation for a defective tire. The violation did not meet the out of service criteria.



- 9/21 Lunenburg detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection on a two axle CMV placed the CMV out of service for a defective emergency braking system.
- 9/22 Morrisville, VT Rte 100. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection discovered elongated locking pin holes as well as evidence of movement around

the slider guide. The Inspector then found the crossmember under the trailer which held portions of the suspension as well as the slider locking pins was completely separated on the right side of the trailer. The vehicle was placed out of service.



## **New Entrant:**

• Eight carriers contacted regarding audit, document uploads, inactivation, or closeout. Three audits completed. 27.75 hours.

## **Passenger Vehicles:**

No activity reported.

## **SOUTH SECTOR:**

## **Details:**

- 9/21 White River Junction SB, I 91, 7 Inspectors screened 185 vehicles. They completed 12 inspections which resulted in 25 vehicle violations and 3 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service and one CMV was placed out of service.
- 9/24 Springfield NB, I 91, 5 Inspectors screened 192 vehicles. They completed 9 inspections which resulted in 21 vehicle and 4 driver violations. One driver was placed out of service.



## **Crashes:**

• 9/21 Inspector returning from the Hartford detail assisted Woodstock Police and Woodstock Fire Rescue extricate an operator who drove off the travel portion of the roadway and crashed into the Ottaquechee River. The driver was transported by Woodstock Ambulance to Dartmouth Hospital for her injuries.



• 9/21 Inspector responded to I-89N MM30 in Randolph for a tractor trailer roll over crash with injury. The driver was traveling north with a flatbed load of sheetrock from New Hampshire. For an unknown reason, the driver went off the left side of the northbound lanes into the median where the vehicle rolled over. The driver had to be extricated from the vehicle and transported to the hospital. The vehicle and load are a total loss. The investigation is still underway by VSP.



• 9/22 Inspector responded to a CMV crash on VT Rte 14 in Williamstown. The vehicle was transporting raw milk and overturned after negotiating a turn. The driver was not injured but VT Rte 14 was closed for approximately 5 hours during the recovery and clean up. A level 1 post-crash inspection was completed with no preexisting defects located.



# **Notables:**

• 9/20 Inspectors conducted terminal bus inspections at two school bus facilities.



• 9/21 Inspector discovered a slack adjuster with a missing clevis pin while conducting a level 1 inspection at the Hartford detail.



• 9/22 Inspector assisted with teaching an emergency evacuation training and fit testing with the Vermont HazMat Team and the Vermont State Police Clandestine Lab Team at the Royalton Barracks.



• 9/23 Inspector discovered a CMV with and active fuel leak during an inspection at the Springfield NB Detail. The vehicle was placed out of service and repairs were made on site.



• 9/23 Inspector located several unsecured precast concrete piers during an inspection at the Springfield NB Detail. The vehicle was placed out of service until the driver properly secured the load.



• 9/23 Inspector discovered a significant inner hub oil leak while conducting a level 1 at the Springfield detail. The oil ran down the inside of the tire and begun to pool on the pavement during the inspection. The CMV was placed out of service.



• 9/23 Inspector discovered a CMV with a worn brake lining at the Springfield detail that, measured less than 1/4" it also displayed a cracked loose segment of the lining. The CMV was placed out of service for multiple brake issues.



• 9/23 Inspector discovered an inoperable brake on a CMV's trailer while conducting a level 1 at the Springfield detail. The push rod was found to be completely detached from the slack adjuster. The CMV was placed out of service for the 20% brake rule after 4 of 10 brakes were found to be inoperable.



• 9/23 Inspector discovered that a CMV drove into the Springfield detail, spilling fuel because the driver had failed to secure the fuel cap. The issue was pointed out to the driver and corrected immediately.

