COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT (2/9-2/15)

NORTHWEST SECTOR:

Details:

- 2/11 Williston NB, I-89, 4 Inspectors screened 310 vehicles. They completed 20 inspections which resulted in 47 vehicle violations and 19 driver violations. Four vehicles and two drivers were placed out of service.
- 2/13 Ferrisburgh NB, US Rte 7, 5 Inspectors and 1 VPD Officer screened 90 vehicles. They completed 25 inspections which resulted in 15 vehicle violations and 8 driver violations. Two vehicles were placed out of service.



Crashes:

• 2/10 Inspector responded to Hinesburg Road in Charlotte for a fuel truck crash. The driver of a home delivery fuel truck crossed the center line, crossed the lane for oncoming traffic, left the roadway and collided with a tree. The driver was injured and has no memory of the crash. Truck was towed due to disabling damage. The cargo tank ruptured as a result of crash and leaked HM.



• 2/10 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer hauling logs on I-89 through Colchester. A portable weigh was conducted and the combination loaded with hemlock logs weighed 119,800 lbs on a valid 99,000 pound permit. A ticket was issued to the carrier and an off load ordered.



• 2/10 Inspector stopped a truck tractor on VT Rte 22a in Shoreham as the driver crossed the center line and drove into the opposing lane. An inspection was conducted and the carrier was grounded as they were suspended in VT.



• 2/11 Inspector inspected an intrastate fuel hauler at the Williston detail. The carrier was using a specification cargo tank, but had failed to conduct required

tank testing. The vehicle was placed out of service for ID # markings that misrepresented the HM on board. The carrier was ticketed.



• 2/11 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The inspection revealed the tractor trailer had a significant air leak in a plastic hose and failed the air drop test. The truck tractor was placed out of service. Additionally, the trailer was placed out of service for an inoperative turn signal. A ticket was issued to the carrier.



• 2/11 Inspector inspected a truck hauling a trailer at the Williston detail. The inspection revealed a tire on the trailer was flat. The trailer was placed out of service for repair.



• 2/11 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The driver was placed out of service for not having a valid CDL and the trailer was placed out of service for an inoperable turn signal.



• 2/11 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Williston detail. The driver was placed out of service as he was in possession of marijuana and alcohol. His CDL was also not valid.







• 2/12 Inspector conducted speed enforcement on I-89 in the Chittenden County corridor. Multiple CMV's and passenger cars were stopped. One vehicle was stopped for overtaking a tractor trailer while traveling in excess of the posted speed limit. A subsequent license check revealed the driver was suspended. The

driver was ticketed for both the speed infraction and the license violation. The vehicle was grounded.

• 2/12 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer call hauler on VT Rte 22a in Orwell for speeding. The driver was placed out of service as he was in possession of marijuana.



• 2/13 Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Ferrisburgh detail. The truck tractor was placed out of service for having loose pieces of wood on the rear deck in front of the trailer.



• 2/13 Inspector assisted VSP-New Haven with a single vehicle crash on Monkton Rd in Monkton while en route to the Ferrisburgh detail. The crash was caused by the operator traveling too fast for conditions.



• 2/14 Inspector stopped a wrecker hauling a mobile home in South Burlington as the mobile home did not have any working rear lights. An inspection was conducted and the trailer was placed out of service. The driver attached remote lights to the trailer to resolve the observed defect. A warning was issued.



• 2/14 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on VT Rte 22a in Shoreham for an inoperable lamp on the trailer. The trailer was placed out of service as there were no operable brake lamps on the trailer.



Passenger Carrier:

• Nothing to report.

NORTHEAST SECTOR:

Details:

• 2/11 Lyndonville Rest Area, I-91, 3 Inspectors screened 99 vehicles. Eleven inspections (two hazardous materials) were completed. Seven vehicle and two driver violations were discovered.

Crashes:

• 2/11 Inspector responded to assist VSP- St Johnsbury at a reportable CMV crash on I-91 in Thetford. The CMV, a five axle tractor trailer, was traveling southbound when the CMV lost traction and went off the road during inclement weather conditions. A Level 2 inspection was completed.



• 2/12 Inspector stopped and weighed a six axle CMV transporting logs on VT Rte 105 in Bloomfield. The CMV was found to be operating without a valid excess weight permit. The driver could only produce the application for the permit. A ticket was issued to the company for not carrying a permit.



• 2/12 Inspector stopped and weighed a CMV transporting corn silage on I-91 in Ryegate. The CMV was found to weigh 115,600 lbs, 25,600 lbs over its permitted road limit. An inspection was completed and the CMV was grounded to be force offloaded. A ticket was issued to the company.



• 2/12 Inspector stopped a six axle CMV transporting logs on VT Rte 105 in Bloomfield. The CMV was properly permitted but there was improper load securement on some of the logs. The driver was provided guidance and then properly secured the logs. No ticket was issued.



• 2/13 Inspector stopped and inspected a CMV transporting logs on US Rte 5 in Derby. There was no load securement present and the CMV was not displaying a current annual inspection. A total of seven violations were noted, two of which placed the CMV out of service. A ticket was issued to the company.



New Entrant:

 Nine carriers contacted regarding scheduling, document submission, inactivation, close out. Four audits completed and uploaded. 25 hours.

Passenger Vehicles:

No activity reported.

CENTRAL SECTOR:

Details:

- 2/11 Central Inspectors joined South Sector Inspectors for a detail on I-91 in Springfield.
- 2/13 Fair Haven Scale House, US Rte 4E, Inspectors screened 156 vehicles. They completed 19 level 2 inspections (4 hazmat inspections) and 5 level 3 inspections revealing 11 vehicle violations (2 out of service vehicle violations) and 2 driver violations (1 driver out of service violation).

Crashes:

2/7 Inspector responded to multiple weather related CMV crashes. VT Rte 107
was completely closed for approximately three hours and Interstate 89 NB was
reduced to one lane in the area of mile marker 19 for two days as a result.
There were only minor injuries reported and post-crash inspections were
completed.





• 2/10 Inspector responded to a crash involving a commercial motor vehicle on I89 in Northfield. A level 2 inspection was conducted. A driver violation was discovered. No pre-existing vehicle violations were found.



• 2/12 Inspector stopped a tractor trailer on I-89 in Randolph for an inoperable light. An inspection was conducted and loose U-bolts were discovered on axle 3. The axle had also shifted out of position as a result. The vehicle was placed out of service.



• 1/13 Inspector conducted a level 2 inspection at the Fair Haven Scale House. Multiple tire violations were found.



• 2/13 Inspector conducted a level 2 inspection on this tractor trailer at the Fair Haven Scale House. The driver had disconnected his ELD on 2/10 in Texas after an 11 hour rule violation and was showing off duty since that time and at the time of the inspection. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours. Additionally, the trailer was placed out of service for inoperable brake lights.



Passenger Carrier:

No activity reported.

SOUTH SECTOR:

Details:

- 2/11 Springfield, I-91N, 6 Inspectors screened 241 vehicles. They completed 19 inspections which resulted in 15 vehicle violations and 19 driver violations. Four vehicles and one driver were placed out of service. Three tickets were issued for a total of \$12,419.00 in fines.
- 2/13 South Sector Inspectors joined the Central Unit for a detail in Fair Haven.

- 2/11 Inspector conducted an inspection on a tractor trailer at the Springfield detail that had stopped at the "OPEN" sign on the interstate. When approached, the driver stated that he was using the bathroom. An interview with the driver and review of his paper logs revealed that he had started driving prior to obtaining his 10 hours off duty and had not changed his log to driving. The driver was placed out of service for 10 hours for a false log.
- 2/11 Inspectors stopped two CMV's loaded with salt at the Springfield detail. Each vehicle was inspected and weighed. Neither CMV was long enough to have overweight permits. Both CMV's weighed in excess of 100,000 lbs and had a legal limit of 77,000 lbs. Tickets were issued to the carriers. Both vehicles were escorted the VTrans facility in Springfield and offloaded.
- 2/11 Inspector conducted bypass patrol in an unmarked vehicle at the Springfield detail. He observed a potential CMV travelling north which failed to stop at the detail. Sgt. Heberts conducted a traffic stop and completed an inspection. The vehicle was grounded and a ticket was issued for failing to have a US DOT number.

Crashes:

None reported.

Safety Audits:

None reported.

Passenger Carrier:

• 2/9 Inspectors conducted a motor coach detail at Mt. Snow in Dover. Six motor coaches were inspected resulting in 5 driver violations.



