

## Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit

### NORTHEAST SECTOR:

#### Details:

- 04/25, Bradford Rest Area, I 91 South. Two Inspectors screened 125 vehicles. Ten inspections were completed. Seventeen vehicle (five out of service) violations were discovered.

#### Crashes:

- None reported.

#### Notables:

- 04/24 Rte 100 Stowe. An Inspector stopped and weighed a laden dump truck. The dump truck was found to be 14,000lbs over its permitted limit. An inspection was completed and a ticket was issued to the company.



- 04/24 Rte Rte 100 Stowe. An Inspector placed the driver of a CMV out of service for having a disqualified CDL. A Level 3 inspection was completed.



- 04/24 Rte 100 Stowe. An Inspector placed a CMV out of service for improper load securement.



- 04/25 Bradford detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 1 inspection placed the CMV out of service for a defective suspension component- broken leaf spring.



- 04/25 Bradford detail. An Inspector conducting a Level 2 inspection discovered multiple loose wheel fasteners.



- 04/25, I 91 Newport. An Inspector on patrol observed a CMV travelling with a blown tire. An inspection was conducted and the CMV was placed out of service.

- 04/27, I 91 South Putney Scale House. An Inspector weighed a CMV transporting bulk liquids. The CMV was found to be 7,000lbs over road limits. An inspection was conducted and a ticket was issued to the company.
- 04/27 Cambridge. An Inspector stopped and weighed a CMV. The CMV was found to be 7,000lbs over road limits. An inspection was completed and a ticket was issued to the company.
- 04/27 Cambridge. An Inspector conducting a Level 3 inspection noted a violation for no medical certificate. The violation was the first offense.
- 04/23-04/27 Lieutenant Cote and Inspector Shelp attended the CVSA Spring Workshop in Memphis TN.

### SOUTH SECTOR:

#### Details:

- 4/25, Vernon Rest Area, I 91 South. Four Inspectors screened 160 vehicles. Five inspections were completed. Fourteen vehicle (4 out of service) and five driver violations were discovered.



- 4/27, Putney Scale house, I 91 South. Seven Inspectors screened 362 vehicles. Seventeen inspections were completed. Twenty-five vehicle (1 out of service) and three driver (2 out of service) violations were discovered. Two overweight tickets were issued for \$578 in total fines.



Notables:

- 4/25, inspected an interstate combination vehicle and discovered the vehicle's emergency breakaway tether was improperly hooked to the trailers' safety chain. Additionally, the driver claimed his ELD was not logging correctly and was not using paper logs. The trailers ID lamps were not working, and the driver could produce only two of three hazard warning triangles. The driver was placed OOS for no logs and the vehicle placed OOS for improper breakaway device.



- 4/27, discovered a flat tire on a CMV combination, as well as a service glad hand air leak, ABS system malfunction, and no US DOT listed on a lease agreement. The truck was placed OOS for the flat tire and repaired roadside.



- 4/27, inspected a 5-axle combination and found the driver had no ELD. The owner operator claimed the ELD tablet stopped working months; two days of paper logs were provided; however, the driver admitted another trip within the 8-day period which was not logged. Additionally, a leaking brake chamber, contaminated brake, and broken clevis pin were found. The driver was placed OOS for no ELD. The truck was placed OOS for contaminated brakes, broken/missing brake components and 20% braking.



- 4/25, Inspector conducted a Level 1 inspection of a CMV on I91 in Vernon. A front axle brake was discovered to be completely contaminated with grease rendering it inoperable. The truck was placed out of service for the violation. The driver's license was also found to be under civil suspension in Vermont.





- 4/25, Inspector Stange, conducted a Level 1 inspection of a CMV on I91 in Vernon. The truck was found to have several violations to include a brake hose that was worn through to the reinforcement ply, which caused the truck to be placed out of service. The driver was found to be in violation as well with no ELD on board when it was required and a CDL with a restriction to not operate a Class A tractor/trailer combination. He was also placed out of service.



- 4/27, Inspector conducted Level 1 inspection of a truck/tractor hauling large pieces of concrete debris. It was discovered the dump trailer had cracks forming at the hinge point support braces under the trailer. Although a violation it did not meet the out of service criteria.

- 4/3, Inspector stopped several commercial motor vehicles for speeding in the new work zone on Route 4 in Killington during a High Priority detail. Speed was documented as a violation for the drivers.
- 4/4, Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Bradford detail and found a loose wheel fastener which was documented as a violation.
- 4/4, Inspector inspected a tractor trailer at the Bradford detail and found several brakes out of adjustment. An air can on the trailer had a substantial air leak which caused the vehicle in combination to meet the 20% criteria. The tractor failed the air loss test. When the driver was instructed to turn his steering wheel, the power steering hose blew. The vehicle was placed out of service for brakes, air loss and the blown power steering hose.



- 4/4, Inspector performed a level 2 inspection on a tractor trailer at the Bradford Detail. The trailer had no brake lights and was put out of service.
- 4/5, Inspector stopped several CMV's for speeding on Route 4 in Killington.
- 4/6, at the Putney Detail, Inspector conducted a level 2 inspection on a non CDL straight truck. The operator was in possession of an expired medical card. A low beam was also inoperable. Both were documented as violations.
- 4/6, at the Putney Detail, a tractor trailer hauling milk weighed 105,280 on a 99k permit. A Level 2 inspection was performed and a VCVC was issued to the company.
- 4/6, Inspector performed a level 1 on a tractor trailer at the Putney detail. A low beam headlight was inoperable, and the reinforcement ply was visible on a section of brake hose tubing from chaffing. This did not meet the out of service criteria but was documented as a violation.



- 4/6, Inspector topped a TT unit speeding on Route 103 in Ludlow. A level 3 inspection was performed and speed was documented as a violation.
- 4/25 & 4/26, Inspector attended FRESE (First responder Emergency Services Explosives) and BMAP (Bomb Making Materials Awareness Program) training at the Vermont Fire Academy. The training was hosted by the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency and FBI.
- 4/28 Inspector discovered a ball joint connecting the pitman arm to the drag link, two major steering components, was worn and had greater than 1/8 inch of movement with hand pressure during an inspection at the Putney Scale House. The vehicle was placed out of service. Additionally a chaffed air line was also discovered on the CMV.





#### NORTHWEST SECTOR:

##### Details:

- 4/25 Ferrisburgh, US Rte. 7, 4 Inspectors screened 65 vehicles. They completed 15 inspections which resulted in 16 vehicle and 3 driver violations. One vehicle and one driver were placed out of service.

Crashes: None reported

##### Notables:

- 4/24 Cpl. White and Lt. Pockette attended the spring CVSA Workshop in Memphis, TN.
- 4/24 stopped an oversize load on VT Rte. 2A in Williston. An inspection was conducted, and the carrier was found to be operating without an oversize permit, as well as missing signs and flags. The carrier was force permitted.



- 4/25 inspected a box truck at the Ferrisburgh detail. The inspection revealed a brake was out of adjustment on the truck constituting a full brake defect. The box truck was placed out of service for 20% or more of the service brakes being defective.



- 4/26 stopped a straight truck operating on Interstate 89 through Colchester for a load securement violation. The operator failed to secure heavy machinery using 4 tie downs at all four corners of the machine. The vehicle was placed out of service for the defect.



- 4/27 inspected a hot shot carrier on VT Rte. 104 in Cambridge during a high priority detail. The inspection revealed the truck was not marked with the responsible carrier or assigned US DOT number. Inspectors encountered some language barriers with the driver but were able to surmise he had been delivering vehicles daily throughout the northeast and mid-atlantic states without recording any type of driving logs. The driver was placed out of service for the infraction.



- 4/28 stopped a tractor trailer unit on US Rte. 7 in Charlotte for a load securement violation. The driver was transporting stacked vehicles on a flat bed trailer and had not secured each vehicle to the trailer using a minimum of two tiedowns. Additional violations were noted for failing to use edge protection. The trailer was placed out of service for the defects.

