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DMV Arrests Truck Driver for Using U-Turn on I-89 During Heavy Morning Traffic

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DMV Inspector Arrest Truck Driver for Negligent Operation

Montpelier – Tuesday morning October 13, 2015 Vermont State Police in Williston received a call from a Chittenden East Supervisory Union school bus aide who just witnessed a commercial vehicle operating on Interstate 89 in a dangerous manner. The school bus, which was transporting school aged children, had to brake hard to avoid colliding with a full size tractor trailer with double trailers that was traveling on I-89 southbound when it pulled into a “U” Turn near mile marker 81 south of Exit 12 in the Town of Williston. The tractor trailer then pulled back out into traffic on I-89 northbound and continued north on I-89 towards Exit 12. At this time traffic north and south bound was heavy with morning commuter. The caller identified the commercial vehicle as belonging to Old Dominion Freight Lines, Inc. and also provided a license plate number.

Vermont DMV Commercial Vehicle Inspector Corporal Matthew Nesto and a Williston Police located the tractor trailer a short time later at the trucking companies’ terminal on Avenue D in Williston. The operator was identified as Randall Markham II, age 30 from Montpelier, VT. Cpl. Nesto completed a safety inspection of the vehicle and it was determined that the vehicle was in good mechanical condition with no vehicle violations located.

As a result of this stop Markham was issued a citation to appear in Chittenden Superior Court-Criminal Division in Burlington to answer to the charge of Careless and Negligent operation of a commercial motor vehicle. Markham was also issued a Vermont Civil Violation Complaint for Interstate Highway Regulation violation “U” Turns Prohibited which has a penalty of \$162.00 and two points.

The Vermont DMV reminds motorists that it is very dangerous and illegal for motorists to use “U” Turns on the interstate highway system.

The Vermont DMV would like to speak to any other witnesses to this incident. Please contact Corporal Matthew Nesto, at the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles 802-828-2078.



Picture is likeness only and not the actual vehicle.

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