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## Three-day inspection blitz reinforces commercial vehicle safety

### Special event puts the heat on unsafe commercial vehicles

**Edmonton...** Commercial vehicle inspectors will be out in full force June 8 - 10 as part of Roadcheck 2010, an annual event held across North America to highlight commercial vehicle safety.

This international event aims to remove unsafe commercial vehicles and drivers from roads; educate commercial vehicle drivers and the public about the importance of safe driving and safe vehicles; and enforce seat belt use. It also serves as a reminder that regular commercial vehicle inspections help improve traffic safety.

Alberta also uses thermal imaging technology as a pre-screening device to detect defective brakes, tires and other mechanical components on commercial vehicles. Alberta is the first province in Canada to use this highly effective technology for this purpose.

This year's Roadcheck 2010 will take place at the following locations across Alberta: Balzac Vehicle Inspection Station, Vermilion Vehicle Inspection Station and Demmitt Mobile Inspection Station. Through monitoring and enforcing safety standards, the Alberta government aims at keeping the province's highways safe for all road users while protecting the integrity of our infrastructure.

As part of Alberta's Traffic Safety Plan calendar, June is Commercial Vehicle Safety month. The plan outlines initiatives to help prevent motor vehicle collisions and injuries, build safer roads, coordinate enforcement activities and better educate all Albertans about traffic safety.

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**Editor's note:** Media are invited to attend Roadcheck 2010 from June 8 - 10, at the Balzac Vehicle Inspection Station, Vermilion Vehicle Inspection Station or the Demmitt Mobile Inspection Station to see a demonstration of the thermal imaging unit and other methods used to enforce commercial vehicle safety. Click here to see a map of the locations.

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