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Go to:
<http://das.ct.gov> and click on **FLEET
OPERATIONS** for additional infor-
mation on fueling locations, acci-
dent forms and mileage reports.

Fleet Safety Coordinator



On Friday, August 19, Tim Seery joined Fleet Operations as our Fleet Safety Coordinator. In an announcement to Fleet staff, Director Frank Sanzo reported, “Tim is retired from the Army National Guard as a Safety Officer and in that role he was responsible for the safety of the military’s fleet of vehicles. He has experience in both defensive and distracted driver training and was responsible for the safety of eight units statewide. Tim was also responsible for OSHA compliance with multiple maintenance shops. He has a higher education background from UCONN and continues to attend classes in the field of safety.”

Director Sanzo added; “In his role, Tim will work with Yanira handling claim processing interactions with insurance companies relating to DAS vehicles that have been involved in an accident, as well as any claim resolution decisions. He will also work with shop supervisors to help with shop safety initiatives.”

Regarding our fleet, Tim will work to identify and compile accident statistics by both type and agency.

He will also develop solutions that will help drive a reduction in frequency going forward. Besides addressing accidents, Tim will also work proactively to find/develop and implement a basic driver training program that all employees who operate a state vehicle can participate in before they take to the roads. Last, but not least, when driving performance has been identified as a concern, Tim will work with ATAs, supervisors and drivers to provide remedial education/training.

Besides having over 3,500 vehicles on the road, DAS Fleet operations has a staff of over 30 maintenance workers and three maintenance locations. So, in addition to his fleet activities, Tim will oversee safety pertaining to our maintenance staff and facilities.

Having a Fleet Safety Coordinator on staff sends a positive message about the importance of safety in all that we do. The primary goal will be to create awareness of risks and to provide the appropriate training, which will ultimately lead to reducing the number of incidents and injuries to state employees.

Let’s all congratulate Tim and wish him much success in his new role.

New Carwash Location

Fleet Operations has added another car wash facility. Last month it was the Russell Speeders location on Hale Road in Manchester, this month is the **Sparklez Car Wash** in Danbury. They are located about a mile down Main Street off of exit five from I-84. Here are the details; **Sparklez, 20 Main Street, 203-826-7489.**

If your agency has vehicles that either park, or operate, in the Danbury/ Newtown area please be sure to pass this information along.

For a listing of all carwash locations go to the Fleet page of the DAS website.

Software Update

Fleet Operations continues to work with BEST and Chevin to prepare the new Fleet Wave software to meet our needs.

Over the past couple of months some ATAs may have received notice that one or more of their vehicles was overdue for service when it had recently been into one of our shops. Also, there have been instances pertaining to mileage reporting for vehicles that are home garaged. Biznet sometimes does not show mileage as having been entered for a particular month, when, in fact, it was. These are unfortunate by-products of one system being phased out while a new is brought on-line. Please note that these situations will be resolved once we complete the move to Fleet Wave, as the Biznet system will no longer be used. Fleet Operations apologizes for any frustration experienced by you or your agency employees during this period and ask for your patience until the transition to Chevin has been completed.

DOT Fuel Stations

This has been a big year for DOT to complete tank and equipment upgrades at many of their fueling locations. Here is where we stand with regards to closed stations.

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| ■ Farmington | ■ Orange | ■ Pomfret |
| ■ East Haven | ■ Milford | ■ Union |
| ■ East Windsor (2) | ■ Mansfield | ■ Waterbury |

The targeted date for each of these stations to be completed is before November 1. Fleet Operations will update upon completion and stations are brought back on line.