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After Hours Emergencies

Call **1-877-454-4204** (toll-free)
 Your call will be answered through the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Dispatch Office, which will assist you.

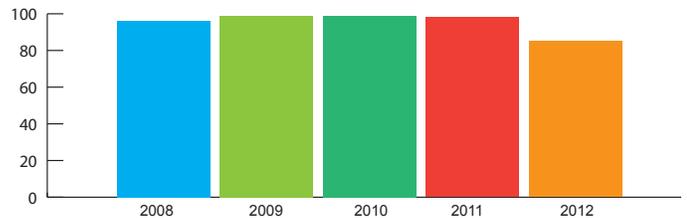
Online

Go to: <http://das.ct.gov> and click on **FLEET OPERATIONS** for additional information on fueling locations, accident forms and mileage reports.

Monthly Mileage

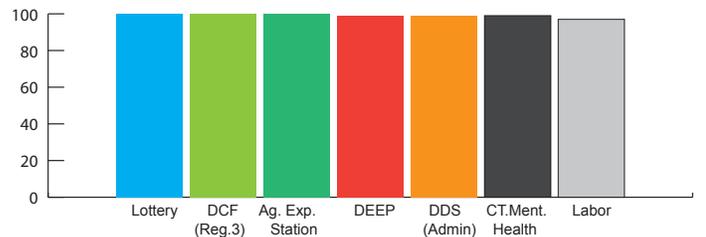
In the July *Inroads* we asked ATAs to review their agency's mileage reporting to help ensure that we are capturing 100% of the miles being driven by DAS-owned vehicles. To help determine each agency's compliance with reporting mileage, Fleet has conducted some analysis. The results indicate that there has been a substantial drop-off in reporting compliance over the past one to two years.

Mileage reporting compliance by year

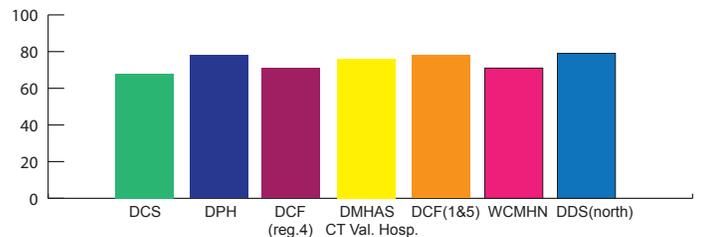


And the drop-off has continued in 2013. This is a trend that we must reverse, as the accurate reporting of miles traveled on a monthly basis is a prime responsibility of driving a DAS vehicle. Among other things, mileage totals are critical to tracking fleet utilization and miles per gallon.

While the decline in reporting compliance is a significant concern, it should be noted that a number of agencies have continued to maintain a very high compliance rate year after year. Here are some of the highest performers for 2012. ►



Agencies whose mileage reporting compliance for 2012 was at the lower end of the spectrum include: ►



To ensure that all ATAs are made aware of their agency's reporting compliance, a separate communication will be sent in the very near future.

It will include their agency's percentage of mileage reporting for 2011 and 2012, along with information on how to identify which vehicles are not being reported.

Need Gas?

If you have vehicles that typically fuel in eastern Connecticut please note that the DOT station located on Westminster Road (Rt. 14) in Canterbury has been temporarily closed while the fuel tanks are being replaced.

Billing Snafu

Although we didn't know it at the time, when our billing for July went out on August 1 it wasn't entirely accurate – at least for some agencies. The short version is the nightly data transfers that capture rentals, new-car assignments, or turn-ins failed to occur after July 10 and through the end of the month. If your agency had this type of activity during the July 10-30 period then it is highly likely that your billing was not accurate.

Our IT department has identified and corrected the initial problem and is working to prevent a recurrence. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this event.

Revised Driver Consent Form

The form that is used when it is necessary to check a driver's history (see GL 115 for specifics) has been modified. As in the past, it is located on the Fleet page of the DAS website under the heading ***License History***. Just click on ***Driver Consent Form*** and you are there.

The following is an edited version of an announcement issued by the Communications Office of DEEP.

Electric Vehicle Charging Station

Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) has recently announced that funding is available to businesses and municipalities (and State agencies) for the installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging stations across Connecticut.

Those interested in receiving a grant through the EVConnecticut Incentives program can visit www.ct.gov/deep/evconnecticut, or send an email to EVConnecticut@ct.gov.

Driving an EV in Connecticut is the cost equivalent of driving a vehicle that is able to refuel at \$1.70 per gallon. As electric vehicle popularity in the market place grows, the demand for charging stations will too. To address this demand eligible parties are encouraged to take advantage of funding now available to support new charging stations. The new EVConnecticut Incentives program offers rebates for the installation of Level 2 chargers that meet program guidelines found at the EVConnecticut website (www.ct.gov/deep/evconnecticut).

Funding in the amount of up to \$2,000 is available through this program for new publicly accessible EV charging stations in order to ensure coverage within a 15-mile driving range throughout Connecticut. Applications for funding are currently being accepted and will continue to be accepted through September 20, 2013. To take advantage of this opportunity, please visit the EVConnecticut website (www.ct.gov/deep/evconnecticut).