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MCCO TO PARTICIPATE IN BRAKE SAFETY WEEK

Colonel David Dees, Director of the Florida Department of Transportation's Motor Carrier Compliance Office invites you to observe a portion of Brake Safety Week which will take place September 21 through September 27. Brake Safety Week is part of the Operation Air Brake Campaign, an ongoing effort that is dedicated to improving inspection, compliance, maintenance, and performance of commercial vehicle brakes throughout North America. Operation Air Brake is sponsored by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, North America's leading commercial vehicle safety enforcement organization.

Braking systems on commercial vehicles are complicated and contain many parts which need constant inspection to ensure proper operation. Brakes comprise the largest percentage of out of service violations cited in roadside inspections.

During Brake Safety Week MCCO will emphasize education and awareness on the safe operation of commercial vehicles. Our Officers will conduct commercial vehicle inspections with emphasis on brake components and provide educational materials to drivers. Variable message boards will be used to communicate the slogan "Have you checked your brakes today?"

If you would like to observe the activities in your area, or if you would like additional information about this event, please contact Lt. Jeff Frost at 850-245-7908, or 850-251-2088.

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