

**ATTACHMENT #36**  
**RESULTS OF MVC INSPECTION OF GST**  
**02/17/2012**

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**MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION**  
**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Thomas Bednarz, Director  
Inspection Services

FROM: Paul A. Giordano, Manager  
Bus Unit

DATE: February 21, 2012

SUBJECT: Unannounced Inspection – Garden State Transport

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On February 17, 2012, a joint inspection team consisting of New Jersey Motor Vehicle personnel and the New Jersey State Police conducted an unannounced inspection at Garden State Transport. This company is located at 1897 Rt. 38 in Southampton, NJ. This facility was selected because of previous summons issued and to ensure that these problems were addressed.

The owner, Peter Brunt addressed questions throughout the day. The last inspection for this facility was performed in October and December of 2011.

The Garden State Transport bus company has a fleet of two hundred and forty-eight (248) buses, of which all are owned and none (0) are leased.

An insurance compliance review was conducted to verify that the insurance liability for this fleet is in effect and meets New Jersey's minimum liability requirements for school buses. The Lancer Insurance Company verified that the company has a \$5,000,000.00 combined single limit in effect for their fleet.

There were eighty (80) maintenance and inspection records reviewed as required and in conjunction with N.J.A.C. 13:20-30.3 which revealed the following:

Identification Section:	Complete
Record of Inspection and Repair:	Incomplete (10)
Lubrication/quarterly:	Incomplete (10)
Systematic P/M:	Incomplete (10)
Driver Daily:	Falsified (3)

A preliminary search of their (one hundred sixty three) 163 drivers in the MVC Comprehensive System (Driver History) revealed no suspensions, however, current Medical Examination Reports needed to be updated for twenty eight (28) of these drivers in the system. Out of the twenty eight (28), only one (1) driver did not have a current Medical Examiners Report in the company's files. There were forty-one (41) driver employment records checked on site in the company files, which amounts to 25% of their total drivers.

This company has pupil transportation contracts with: (See attached)

Random drug testing is performed at:

Virtua Health  
895 Rancocas Rd, Ste. 1  
Westampton, NJ 08060

609-914-8610

The bus team performed twenty-one (21) initial inspections. Thirteen (13) buses were placed out of service for a 60% out of service rate. Six (6) buses received a 30 day rejection sticker for a 30% rejection rate. Two (2) buses received an approval sticker for a 10% approval rate. There were eighteen (18) buses re-inspected during the task force action, approving sixteen (16) and rejecting two (2).

The following is a list of Out of Service Rejections:

Spring/Shackles	1
Oil/Coolant/Fluid Leaks	1
Wire/Hoses Chafed	1
Wheels/Tires	5
Emergency Door Buzz	2
Safety Equipment Missing	1
Steering/Suspension	1
Service Brake	1
Lights	1
Exhaust Leaks	3
Handicap RQ Only	1
Miscellaneous	5
Emergency Door Handle	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>

The following is a list of 30 Day Rejections:

Identification	1
Oil/Coolant/Fluid Leaks	6
Safety Equipment Missing	1
Wipers/Washer/ Horn	1
Heaters	1
Seats	2
Seats-Mounting	4
Steering/Suspension	1
Lights	6
Emission Tampering	1
Miscellaneous	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>

Total number of violations discovered: **52**

A total of seventeen (17) summonses were issued by MVC. The below were issued to the company:

39:3b-22a2 –Failure to retain proper records (10)

39:3B-22a4--Falsification of Any Record of Document (3)

39:3b-22a5 – Failure to comply with driver employment records. (1)

The below were issued to individual drivers:

39:3B-22a4--Falsification of Any Record of Document (3)

Due to an ongoing investigation the State Police were unable to verify if any summons were issued.

At the conclusion of the task force operation a briefing was conducted with Peter Brunt, explaining all school bus violations, rejections and procedures. Information regarding reinspection of buses was given to Mr. Brunt.

If there are any questions regarding this inspection, please feel free to contact me.

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Burlington City BOE  
Burlington County Special Service School District  
Camden County Educational Service Commission (ESC)  
Cherry Hill Public Schools  
Franklin Township BOE (Warren County)  
Githens Center (Mount Holly)  
Hainesport Township BOE  
Hamilton Township BOE (Mercer County)  
Harmony Township BOE  
Henry Hudson Regional School  
Hopatcong BOE  
Howell Township BOE  
Knowlton Township BOE  
Lenape Regional District BOE  
Lumberton Township BOE  
Mansfield Township BOE (Burlington County)  
Mercer County Special Services  
Middlesex Regional ESC  
Millstone Township BOE  
Monmouth-Ocean ESC  
Mount Holly Township BOE  
New Hanover Township BOE (Burlington)  
North Hanover Township BOE  
North Warren BOE  
Northern Burlington County Regional  
Oxford Township BOE  
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