

A Newsletter for Fleet Emissions Inspection Facilities and Inspectors

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Editorial Desk

Welcome to the Summer issue of *Fleets in Review*. The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed of programs, training and changes taking place within Vehicle Emissions Inspections that affect you.

Tucson fleets: Classes continue to be held quarterly in Tucson, due to reduced attendance. See the calendar in this issue.

Government fleets: Plan ahead! Most HD diesel vehicles must be inspected during the fall. Check your fleet for diesels and renewal dates. If you have to take them to the inspection station, go early in the day, in the month, in the season!

Classes: If you need to renew, please register early. The summer and fall seasons have a lot of things (like holidays and vacations) competing for time. And, as a courtesy to others, let us know well in advance of the class if you can not attend.

Meet the Staff

We begin a new series with this issue, wherein we introduce you to the people who are responsible for producing this newsletter, and for the training and licensing of fleet inspectors. First up is a person who is probably very familiar to many of you.

Angelina Tautimer Koval

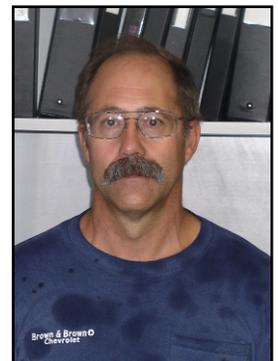
"I'm better known by most as Angie. As a technician for the Valley's bus company, I always knew ADEQ was my next job/career, and actively sought out the job when I decided to retire my wrenches. I have been with VEI for the last 12 years. For the past six years, I have been one of the training specialists for the emissions certification program. Prior to that position I was a compliance officer for the Inspection and Compliance Unit. This is what I call "my full circle," from licensed emissions inspector for the bus company, to compliance officer, to trainer conducting the classes. "What a Life!"

For me ADEQ VEI is not just a job, it is my passion (sometimes getting me in trouble). As a third generation Arizonan, I believe in doing everything that can be done to keep our state clean and beautiful. I enjoy almost everything about our emissions program, and continually strive for growth and advancement of all that can be gained for the betterment of Arizona."

500/300 Club

In the Winter 2011 issue of this newsletter, we described the creation of the 500/300 Club. Anyone passing each of the certification tests with a score of 100 percent (that is three tests for gas only or five for gas/diesel inspectors) will become a member of the 500/300 Club and their license certificate will be printed in color.

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James Penfield

At that time only John Scott (Phoenix Aviation) had achieved this status. We are pleased to announce the second member of the club. He is James C. Penfield of Brown & Brown Chevrolet. Mr. Penfield joined the club in April 2012. *Congratulations James!*

Questions & Answers

In this column, staff will answer recurring questions about emissions related problems and their solutions. We encourage you to submit your queries to VEI at (602) 771-3950 and ask for a technician. Questions of a common nature will also be addressed here.

Question: Several government entity fleets have asked: Are vehicles due for emissions testing on the anniversary of “acquisition” or “in-service” date.

Answer: Vehicles are always tested based on the date of acquisition. Referring to R18-2-1005 (Time of Inspection), section A4 tells us that a government owned vehicle is subject to inspection within 12 months after acquisition by the operating entity, and every 12 months following the anniversary of the previous inspection.

Question: Again the question continues to come up, “When are motorcycles going to be exempted from emissions testing in metro Phoenix?”

Answer: ADEQ has not given up on this issue. While we expect that the U.S. EPA will propose to disapprove our request to exempt motorcycles in the Phoenix area in the near future, disapproval will give us clarity for resubmitting the request. We are still hopeful that this can become a reality in the future, since ADEQ has determined that the testing of motorcycles is not necessary for the Phoenix area to meet EPA health based standards.

Question: When will you (VEI) drop the “lab scope” information and questions on the certification test? We are not using lab scopes.

Answer: We are aware that industry has moved away from this instrument. However, it is still one of the best available tools for problem diagnostics. We will, in time, bring newer information to the class and test, such as what is available on your laptops and scan tools, including the step by step diagnostic programs.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Brown & Brown Chevrolet for excellence in continued compliance with fleet emissions inspection requirements.



Brown & Brown Chevrolet (left to right): James Penfield, Sharif Hedjazi and fleet agent Peter Fairbanks.

2012 Emissions Class Schedule

JULY 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	10 - 12
Dealer	24 - 25
Tucson - All Licensing Class	None
WALK-IN TESTING	6, 13, 20, 27
Holiday Office Closed	4

AUGUST 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	7 - 9
Dealer	21 - 22
Tucson - All Licensing Class	None
WALK-IN TESTING	3, 10, 17, 24, 31

SEPTEMBER 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	11 - 13
Dealer	4 - 5
Tucson-All Licensing Class	18 - 19
WALK-IN TESTING	7, 14, 21, 28
Holiday Office Closed	3

OCTOBER 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	2 - 4
Dealer	16 - 17
Tucson-All Licensing Class	None
WALK-IN TESTING	5, 12, 19, 26

NOVEMBER 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	6 - 8
Tucson-All Licensing Class	None
WALK-IN TESTING	2, 9, 16, 21*, 30
	*21 is a Wednesday
Holiday Office Closed	12, 22

DECEMBER 2012	
Fleet	Dates
Gov/Fleet/Dealer "CFD/CF" Licensing	4 - 6
Tucson-All Licensing Class	11 - 12
WALK-IN TESTING	7, 14, 21, 28
Holiday Office Closed	25

* Strongly Recommended/Optional attendance for "FD" Licensing

* **NOTE:** If attending the Wednesday-Thursday class for "FD" the start time for Wednesday class is 10 a.m.



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