



## GATEWAY VEHICLE INSPECTION PROGRAM

**October 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012**

The GVIP is a combined emission and safety inspection program for vehicles registered in the St. Louis ozone nonattainment area. The GVIP is jointly overseen by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Approximate Number of Active Inspection Stations: 823  
Approximate Number of Active Inspector/Mechanics: 4,636

### **Initial OBD Pass/Fail Rate for this Period:**

Total Test: 151,250  
Total Pass: 146,157 = 96.6%  
Total Fail: 5,093 = 3.4%

Number of Mileage Exemptions Issued: 302  
Number of Waivers Issued: 174

### **Enforcement:**

Audits Conducted by DNR: Overt 345  
Covert 229

Stations Locked out by MSHP: Violations 1  
Failed Audits 24  
Photographs 15  
Offline Testing 1

On November 6, 2012, the Missouri Attorney General’s Office and the department officially closed the case file for all actions associated with clean scanning violations that occurred at Clark’s Tire and Auto, LLC (formerly Clark Tire Wholesale). On October 15, 2012, civil penalties against the three inspectors involved were ordered by default judgment. Mr. Herschel Clark was assessed a civil penalty of \$200,000, Mr. John Clark was assessed a civil penalty of \$65,000 and Mr. Jeremy Cook was assessed a civil penalty of \$95,000 for their roles in the violations. These are in addition to the settlement reached with Mr. Jeffery Clark in July 2012, and the November 2011, a default judgment against Ms. Susan Clark.

On October 11, 2012, the United States Attorney’s Office Eastern District of Missouri announced that Mr. Michael Terry was sentenced to 13 months in prison for falsifying documentation regarding auto emissions tests and sales tax documentation during his employment at Sure Start Battery & Tire Company in St. Louis, Missouri. In addition to falsifying other records associated with vehicle registration, Terry conducted false safety and auto emissions tests and provided false safety documentation to vehicle owners to bypass the Missouri state laws associated with vehicle safety and EPA regulations. The case was investigated by the Department, US EPA Criminal Investigation Division, MSHP, the Missouri Department of Revenue, IRS Criminal Investigation, and the St. Louis County Police Department.