Spring Workshop and Law Institute Session Spotlight –
AAMVA’s The Week In Review For February 4, 2013

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Registration is now open for AAMVA’s Spring Workshop and Law Institute, March 12-13 in Atlanta, GA. Here’s a look at just two of the many exciting sessions we have planned!

QuickConnect
Back by popular demand are the Workshop’s QuickConnect Sessions. On Tuesday, Regions I and III will meet and on Wednesday, Regions II and IV will meet. Jurisdictional attendees will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with exhibitors and qualified sponsors. Each meeting will be up to seven (7) minutes and is the perfect opportunity for industry to share products, services, and projects. Find solutions to your problems! Exhibitors and qualified sponsors can complete the QuickConnect Registration Form here.

One Click Dealerships:
Internet Dealer Sales/Wholesale Dealers
On Tuesday morning, attend the highly-anticipated concurrent session, One Click Dealerships: Internet Dealer Sales/Wholesale Dealers. Vehicle sales are no longer just taking place on dealership lots or in private driveways. Dealers and individuals are increasingly using electronic methods to sell vehicles. This session will highlight some of the challenges in regulating these sales as well as the potential for fraud that exists with internet vehicle sales.

Keep Up With The Latest Court Cases
AAMVA maintains a clearinghouse of relevant court decisions on our website. Please feel free to visit http://www.aamva.org/Court-Cases. If at any time you have a judicial decision you would like added, just send it to Cian Cashin at ccashin@aamva.org and we can post it. And keep following The Week In Review to find out when new cases are posted and what the case is about.

Apply Now for the 2013 PACE Awards
AAMVA’s PACE Awards Program recognizes public relations, public affairs and consumer education excellence among the motor vehicle, law enforcement and traffic safety agencies across North America. They recognize creativity, cost effectiveness and the ability to reach consumers with a well crafted, measured and executed message. Take a look at the full list of categories and complete the 2013 PACE Awards Application form, available here. To apply, complete the first page of the document, the questionnaire on the second page, and include any supporting documentation or materials. Please limit your entries to no more than six submissions to allow us to properly evaluate all the entries we receive. Entries must be submitted (postmarked) by March 25, 2013. For more information, contact Claire O’Brien at cobrien@aamva.org

NMVTIS Business Working Group Meets
Developing best practices for title and registration program managers and reviewing brand descriptions were on the agenda last week when the NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group met in Tampa, FL. Members of the working group represent all four regions and have a wide range of expertise in NMVTIS. The working group is considering several issues that have been problematic and are developing recommendations and best practices that could resolve some complex issues.

RFP/RFIs Posted
The following RFP/RFIs have been posted on the AAMVA website:

RFI for Motor Vehicle Inspection Station Program
The Ministry of Transportation is examining the Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (MVIS) Program, which authorizes qualified garage operators and technicians to inspect and certify the safety of vehicles in Ontario. The MVIS Program needs to be modernized to address existing challenges, stay current and provide value for money.
MTO is considering alternative service delivery models, including the delivery of the program by a third party. In addition, it is identifying necessary changes to update vehicle inspection standards (for passenger vehicles), improve business processes and ensure regulatory compliance and consumer protection. This RFI closes on February 27, 2013 at 11:00AM EST. Further information regarding the RFI may be found at [www.merx.com](http://www.merx.com) via entering "OSS_00373464" in the search function.

**New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division Driver and Vehicle System Reengineering Project (RFP#30-333-00-12463)**

The Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) requests proposals for the design, development, and implementation of a modern customer-centric driver and vehicle system to replace the legacy systems currently used by MVD. Read the full [RFP Document](http://www.merx.com) and [Q&A Document](http://www.merx.com). This RFP closes February 28, 2013 4:00PM MST.

For more information on these and other open RFP/RFIs, visit [http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/](http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/).

**RFI Posted**

The 4 Atlantic Canada provinces issued an RFI today for the following:

1. Automated Driver Knowledge Test systems, 
2. Road Testing systems and 
3. Web based Client Scheduling systems

The four Atlantic Registrars intend to continue seeking new opportunities to utilize a combined approach and are currently gathering information regarding the potential implementation of new Automated Driver Knowledge Test systems, Road Testing systems and web based Client Scheduling systems for the benefit of the constituents of Atlantic Canada. Through this Request for Information (RFI) the Registrars are hoping to identify potential solutions and technologies that may be included in any future solicitation that can assist to address the business and technical requirements for the four provinces in the areas of Automated Driver Knowledge Test (ADKT) systems, Road Testing (RT) (mobile) systems and Client Scheduling (CS) Systems.


**LaHood Will Not Serve Second Term**

U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood will step down and will not serve in the second term of the Obama Administration. LaHood made the announcement to USDOT employees after hinting at it before last November’s election. LaHood becomes the sixth Obama Cabinet officer to step down at the end of the first term, after State, Treasury, Defense, Interior, and Labor with Energy, at least, also expected to change hands. LaHood said that he will stay on until a successor is confirmed, however long that takes, meaning that well-regarded Deputy Secretary John Porcari may not get the chance to serve as Acting Secretary. For more information, visit [http://www.dot.gov/briefing-room/us-transportation-secretary-lahood-announces-he-will-not-serve-second-term](http://www.dot.gov/briefing-room/us-transportation-secretary-lahood-announces-he-will-not-serve-second-term).

**FHWA Webinar on Registration Data Collection**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has been systematically collecting state motor vehicle registration data through its 500-series data reporting (Form FHWA-561) since the early 1940s to facilitate the Federal-aid Highway Program. Periodically, the FHWA conducts data reassessment activities with the goal of increasing data reliability and reducing data reporting burden while maintaining historical continuity and meeting new program and initiative needs.

Currently, the FHWA is examining state motor vehicle data covering all data items. The existing FHWA-561 form requires states to fill out over 200 data items. Our preliminary assessment indicates that these can be replaced by...
approximately 90 percent fewer items. However, before any actual implementation of such changes, the FHWA would like to learn the feasibility of the new proposed data items and form.

The FHWA will host a webinar to present the preliminary proposal, obtain feedback, and discuss potential issues on March 5, 2013 from 3:30-4:30PM EST. View the webinar at:
https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/_a55098539/fhwatalkingtraffic/
Phone: 1-877-848-7030 Passcode: 6217068

A draft version of the proposed FHWA-561 is available for review at the link above. For further information please contact Brad Gudzinas at brad.gudzinas@dot.gov or at 202-366-5024.

License Plate Readers Becoming Prevalent Law Enforcement Technology
A recent survey by the Police Executive Research Forum reveals that license plate readers will soon be a pervasive monitoring technology among law enforcement agencies, according to a blog post from the American Civil Liberties Union. Seventy-one percent of responding agencies already have LPRs and 85 percent plan to acquire or increase their use of LPRs during the next five years. The benefits of LPR technology are undeniable, says the ACLU, quoting a police officer in the PERF survey who said that when LPRs were used police were able to get over eight times as many checks, more than four times as many hits, and about twice as many arrests and vehicle recoveries as when they were not using the LPR devices. Clearly, the privacy rights group concludes, the technology is here to stay. For more information, visit here, and read AAMVA's recently-released Best Practices Guide for Improving ALPR Effectiveness through Uniform License Plate Design and Manufacture.

Apply Now for the National Roadway Safety Awards
The National Roadway Safety Awards is a biennial competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Roadway Safety Foundation (RSF) to recognize roadway safety achievements that move the United States towards zero deaths and serious injuries on the Nation’s roadways. The competition highlights exemplary roadway safety efforts and publicizes best practices. Awards are given for infrastructure, operational, and program related improvements and programs that address safety needs.

The FHWA and the RSF stress the importance of strategic, data-driven approaches to improving safety on our Nation’s roadways. Applicants are encouraged to nominate projects or programs that exemplify innovative and effective safety activities and maximize the cost effectiveness of Federal, State, local, and/or private sector funds. For more information, see the nomination form and informational packet.

Motorcyclists Confederation of Canada Launches New Statement of Policy
"New thinking and more action on public policy and safety initiatives that recognize the importance of the growing motorcycling community across Canada" - that's the message behind a new, collaborative-based Statement of Policy, launched today by the Motorcyclists Confederation of Canada (MCC). As a result of extensive collaboration among regional groups and individual motorcycling enthusiasts across Canada, this Statement of Policy proposes a series of steps designed to create a better riding environment in Canada. Visit the MCC website today at http://motorcycling.ca to download a PDF copy of the Statement of Policy.

Another important part of its government relations and advocacy program takes place in May 2013-MCC Day on the Hill, in which MCC representatives will meet with Parliamentarians and officials to discuss issues that matter to the motorcycling community. Comprised of national, provincial and territorial organizations, regional clubs, individual patrons and industry representatives, the Motorcyclists Confederation of Canada is a national, grassroots advocacy organization championing motorcycling interests throughout Canada.