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AAMVA's The Week In Review For September 3, 2013

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AAMVA's 2013 Annual International Conference was a great success, with nearly 750 registrants joining us in Scottsdale, Arizona. Check out AAMVA's YouTube Channel for video recaps of our three days in Scottsdale:

- Monday, August 26
- Tuesday, August 27
- Wednesday, August 28

AAMVA debuted two very special video presentations at AIC - a celebration of our 80th Anniversary and an overview of all that we've done over the past year. If you missed them at AIC, now's your chance to get caught up! And visit our downloads page to take a look at presentations from the conference.

New MOVE Media Kit Now Available
Visit AAMVA.org to see our new MOVE Media Kit, which offers great opportunities for marketing products and services. Visit the Marketing Opportunities page to see the document.

Group to Gather, Organize and Share Information on Autonomous Vehicles
New technology has been developed and continues to evolve that allows vehicles to be operated with less human interaction than is required today. The AAMVA community needs to understand this technology as it emerges and prepare for the impact it will have on vehicle and driver programs as well as gain an understanding of the effect on the legal and enforcement sectors.

A group within the AAMVA community will be formed to gather, organize and share information related to the development, design, testing, use and regulation of autonomous vehicles and other emerging vehicle technology. The group will meet through a series of conference calls over the next year. If you are interested in participating in this group, please contact Cathie Curtis, Director of Vehicle Programs at ccurtis@aamva.org by September 13, 2013. Depending on the response, it may be necessary to limit the number of participants to keep the group at a manageable size optimal for interaction.

2013 DL/ID Card Design Standard Released
AAMVA is happy to announce the release of the 2013 AAMVA DL/ID Card Design Standard (CDS). The 2013 CDS supersedes the 2012 AAMVA DL/ID Card Design Standard. AAMVA strongly recommends that jurisdictions beginning new card design and production efforts base their work on the 2013 standard. The 2012 AAMVA DL/ID Card Design Standard, along with previous versions, will continue to be available since jurisdictions have cards in production that are based upon those specifications. Learn more about the CDS and download the document online at http://www.aamva.org/DL-ID-Card-Design-Standard/

The Registration and Insurance Card Standardization (RICS) Working Group is pleased to announce the release of the "Motor Vehicle Registration Document and Insurance Identification Best Practices Guide for Paper and Electronic Credentials." The working group has developed these best practices for standardizing data elements for vehicle registration documents and the format in which they should be presented. Also included are recommendations for standardized data elements for insurance identification cards and the format in which they should be presented. This best practices guide also discusses considerations for moving from paper vehicle registration documents and insurance identification cards to the electronic presentation of both. Download the document today!

Make Plans Now to Attend the Region III Information Exchange

The 2013 Region III Information Exchange kicks off in five weeks, so make your plans to join us. We will be meeting at the Sheraton Clayton Plaza in St. Louis, Missouri from September 24-26. Fly in to St. Louis Lambert International Airport and take the complimentary shuttle to the hotel. Our room rate is $129/night plus taxes. The hotel cut-off date for reservations is September 10. Call (888) 327-1395 or click here for the reservation link. The meeting starts Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and concludes Wednesday at 5:00 for industry participants and at noon Thursday for jurisdictional participants. QuickConnect will be held on Wednesday afternoon. A draft agenda, registration form and QuickConnect registration form can be found at http://www.aamva.org/2013-Region-III-Information-Exchange/. Please contact Sheila Prior at sprior@aamva.org or 480-275-4584 for questions.

Verify Lawful Status Quickly and Inexpensively

The date for implementation has been extended so take advantage today! The Verification of Lawful Status (VLS) and US Passport Verification Service (USPVS), formerly known as USPASS, applications combat fraud and identity theft by deterring the use of fake and altered immigration or passport documents presented to MVAs as proof of identity and lawful status in the U.S.

Benefits include:

1. INTEGRATED SYSTEM - VLS / USPVS can be fully integrated into a state's system, where all the data can be entered providing faster turnaround, reduced workload, and shorter customer wait times. Some jurisdictions are reporting reductions up to 10 minutes per customer!
2. IMPROVED SECURITY - Integrating verification into state systems improves security with fewer systems, fewer logins / passwords, and a single log for audits.
3. INTERFACE FLEXIBILITY - We offer both Web-Service and AMIE protocols. States can pick the option that best suits their needs.
4. MODULARITY - States have the option to implement all VLS steps or a hybrid approach using Web3. This modularity allows states to customize more commonly used processes and make more efficient use of development resources.
5. USER INTERFACE CUSTOMIZED TO MEET STATE NEEDS - VLS allows the states to customize their UI to their specific workflow needs. Web3 is an out-of-the-box approach that supports a standard workflow.

There is no charge to states for implementation. The cost for implementation is provided by grant funding to AAMVA through October 9, 2014. For information on operational or maintenance costs, please contact David DeSilva at 703.908.5784. Getting started is easy! For more information, please visit the VLS website at www.aamva.org/VLS.
CDLIS 5.3 Release Changes
All CDLIS 5.3 Release changes (ACD Code, Medical Certificate and Permit Rule changes) have been deployed to the AAMVA Production Environment. Visit http://www.aamva.org/CDLIS/ for more information.

Please contact AAMVA helpdesk at helpdesk@aamva.org if you have any questions.

AAMVA Blog: AAMVA Staff Visit Taser International
Visit AAMVA's Blog to learn about AAMVA Staff visiting Taser International. AAMVA’s Brian Ursino, Director of Law Enforcement, and Sheila Prior, AAMVA Director of Member Support for Regions III & IV, got a tour of the facility and a look behind the scenes at Taser International. Visit AAMVA's blog for more information.

Texas DPS Names Joe Peters New Assistant Director of Driver License Division
The Texas Public Safety Commission (PSC) and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw approved the appointment of Joe Peters as Assistant Director (AD) of the DPS Driver License Division. Peters had served as interim AD of the division since June, and his promotion was approved during the recent PSC meeting. AD Peters has served the state for approximately three decades, beginning that service as a state trooper in 1968 when he joined DPS. In addition, he completed three years of military service as an Army Criminal Investigation Division agent at Ft. Meade, Md., and South Korea. After holding various positions within DPS, he ultimately retired as a sergeant with the Texas Rangers in 1998. After retirement, he worked with the Sheriffs' Association of Texas as interoperable communications project manager and later as the director of the Border Research and Technology Center in a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice. Congratulations to Joe Peters from all of us at AAMVA.

U.S. DOT Opens On-line Dialogue on Next Strategic Plan
The U.S. Department of Transportation has been working on their strategic plan for FY 2014 to FY 2018 since early this spring. Developing and implementing the strategic plan is an important step in helping the Department address key priorities that represent the diverse interests of stakeholders across the country. U.S. DOT invites you to review the plan and submit your ideas and comments at the DOT Strategic Plan Online Dialogue. The dialogue also provides an opportunity to read and respond to what others are saying about the plan. Your participation will help shape the future of transportation in America. If you prefer, you can also email your comments directly to DOTstratplan@dot.gov.

Message from IACP President Craig T. Steckler Regarding DOJ Marijuana Decision
The United States Department of Justice announced that it would not challenge the marijuana legalization laws in Colorado and Washington. In response, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, along with a wide coalition of law enforcement leadership organizations, expressed its extreme disappointment with the decision in a letter to Attorney General Eric Holder. A copy of the letter can be found on the IACP web site by clicking here.

GHSA: National Highway Safety Awards Presented in San Diego
The Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) presented its 2013 highway safety awards to two individuals, who collectively have dedicated nearly seventy years to addressing behavioral safety issues, and five programs focusing on the nation's most pressing roadway safety problems at its Annual Meeting in San Diego. More information about the award recipients can be found at www.ghsa.org/html/meetings/awards/2013/13index.html.