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### **News Conference to Highlight 30<sup>th</sup> Annual International Roadcheck**

**SALINE COUNTY (6-2)** – A news conference will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 6** at the truck inspection pad on eastbound Interstate 30 (approximately mile-marker 113) to kick-off the 30<sup>th</sup> annual International Roadcheck safety event, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

International Roadcheck is sponsored by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) and is the largest targeted enforcement program on commercial motor vehicles in the world, with nearly 17 trucks or buses inspected every minute on average in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

In Arkansas, the event will begin at **6:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 6** and run through **6:00 a.m. Friday, June 9**. All eastbound commercial vehicles will be required to exit I-30 and pass through the inspection station where Arkansas Highway Police will randomly select vehicles for a North American Standard Level I Inspection. This 37-step procedure is the most thorough roadside inspection and includes an examination of driver operating requirements and vehicle mechanical fitness.

The Arkansas Highway Police is a Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department and is responsible for protection of the more than 16,400 miles of highways in Arkansas.

Each year, International Roadcheck places special emphasis on a category of violations. This year's focus is cargo securement. Drivers will also be required to provide items such as their driver's license, hours-of-service documentation, motor carrier registration and shipping documentation, and inspectors will be checking drivers for seat belt usage and the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. The vehicle inspection includes checking items such as the brake systems, cargo securement, coupling devices, driveline/driveshaft, exhaust systems, frames, fuel systems, lighting devices (required lamps), steering mechanisms, suspensions, tires, van and open-top trailer bodies, wheels, rims, and hubs, windshield wipers, and emergency exits (on buses).