



State of New Mexico
Department of Public Safety

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Motor Transportation Police Recognized at National Level

Santa Fe – The Motor Transportation Police Division (MTP) was honored on a National level at the 2010 Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Leadership Conference held in San Antonio, Texas on April 22, 2010. MTP was presented with the award for the medium sized state with the “Most Comprehensive and Effective Compliance Review Program”.

MTP’s Compliance Review Unit is responsible for conducting in-depth audits (compliance reviews) on motor carriers to determine the carrier’s safety, MTP examine their safety management practices during a multi-faceted review. During the compliance review, the carrier’s vehicle maintenance files are checked to ensure vehicles are maintained in accordance with federal regulations, driver files are evaluated to ensure the carrier is conducting background checks, complying with drug testing requirements, and properly screening for unsafe drivers. If the carrier transports hazardous materials, it is evaluated for ensuring that all required safety and security processes are established and utilized.

The Compliance Review Unit consists of Sergeant David Abeita, Officers Brigit Ramirez, Jesus Avila, Carlos Perea, and Alejandro (Steve) Chavez. The unit is under the supervision of Federal Programs Office of MTP Headquarters. These officers work diligently to ensure the motor carriers operating on New Mexico’s streets and highways are doing so in a safe and professional manner in order to make our state a safer place to live and work.

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