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## SAFETY BULLETIN



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### Preparing for the Cold Weather Ahead!

Last Thursday was the first Day of Fall and now is the time to start preparing your operation for the cold weather ahead.

#### Fuel Additive Use during Cold Weather Conditions



Fuel additives to prevent jelling should be added anytime the ambient temperature is below 32. Power Service and Penray are popular manufacturers of fuel additives and both companies have two different products available through Navistar and Idealease locations.



Register Now for a 2016 Idealease / NPTC Safety Seminar

Idealease and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 2016. The one day seminar this year will focus on the new Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulation, basic safety and compliance, regulation

## Power Service:

- The "Red Bottle" is Power Service 911 and is to be used only when the fuel in a unit has been jelled.
- 911 is NOT to be used as a fuel additive that you would regularly put in the fuel tank to keep the fuel from jelling.
- Power Service Diesel Fuel Supplement + Cetane "White Bottle" is to be added to the fuel at each fill when the ambient temperature is < 30 degrees F.
- This is the additive you should use on a regular basis during the winter months.

## Penray:

### Winter Thaw Emergency Diesel Fuel Supplement

- Dissolves already gelled fuel fast and reduces clogging of fuel filters. Prevents ice crystal build-up in fuel lines and filters by disbursing moisture.
- Eliminates hard starting, pounding, excessive smoking and helps improve combustion. 100% compatible with low sulfur fuel and fuel blends.

### Winter Pow-R Plus Diesel Fuel Supplement

- ULSD compliant. Prevents gelling of diesel fuel. Prevents ice crystal formation. Reduces cold filter plug point b as much as 30°F. Helps enhance cetane. Helps improve fuel economy. Utilizes HAFI® technology. Improves cold weather starting. Stabilizes and prevents corrosion. Helps reduce emissions. Helps improve lubricity



## How to make a Cold Weather Survival Kit

Everyone should carry a Winter Survival Kit in their truck. In an emergency, it could save your life. Here is what you need:

changes and CSA. In addition, this year attendees will receive the mandatory two hour Drug and Alcohol supervisor training as part of the seminar. The seminars and will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals.

[Click Here](#) to register

## 2016 Idealease Safety Seminar Schedule

October 4 Green Bay, WI

October 4 Erie, PA

October 5 Butler, PA

October 5 Columbia, SC

October 6 Cleveland, OH

October 12 Chicago, IL

- a shovel
- windshield scraper and small broom
- flashlight with extra batteries
- battery powered radio
- water
- snack food including energy bars
- raisins and mini candy bars
- matches and small candles
- Disposable Hand/Foot warmers
- extra hats, socks and mittens
- First aid kit with pocket knife
- Necessary medications
- blankets or sleeping bag
- tow chain or rope
- road salt, sand, or cat litter for traction
- booster cables
- fluorescent distress flag and whistle to attract attention
- Cell phone adapter to plug into lighter and or extra battery supply

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## Tis' Deer Season

It is Deer season, and now is the time to remind drivers of the dangers of animals in the roadway. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety estimates that 1.5 million deer-related accidents occur each year. Deer are struck in three out of four accidents involving animals. Nationally, deer collisions with vehicles annually cause some \$1.1 billion in vehicle damage, kill 150 people and injure another 29,000 people.



Cattle, horses, dogs and bears also led to fatalities in collisions. Crashes with deer are most likely to occur in late fall during deer breeding, migration and hunting season. Accidents with deer are likely to occur on rural roads with a speed limit of 55 mph or higher speed limits, in darkness, or at dusk and dawn. In 60% of the accidents involving human fatalities with animal-vehicle collisions, the fatality was caused not by the collision with the deer, but failure to wear a safety belt. The animal-vehicle collision is the first event and often not the deadliest. It is what occurs to the vehicle after the initial collision that is often the cause of the fatality; i.e. striking a fixed object or another vehicle(s). There is no feasible way to keep deer and other animals off of the roadway. Deer whistles have been sold over the years as a way of avoiding deer collisions. I can personally attest that the whistles work. However, it is still up to the deer what action is taken after hearing the whistle. This may include standing still in the roadway or running directly at you; therefore, drivers need to be vigilant at all times and especially in those areas that are prone to animal crossing.

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## Drug-Free Workplace Week October 10-15

The U.S. Department of Labor is encouraging public and private community organizations to participate in the 5th annual Drug-Free Work Week, which will occur Oct. 10 to 15. This public awareness campaign, held each October, emphasizes the importance of drug-free workplace programs to help prevent workplace alcohol and drug use, and encourage workers with alcohol and drug problems to seek help. Successful drug-free workplace programs provide a safe and healthy environment for workers, and result in a productive workplace for employers.



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## Texas to require intrastate ELD use

Texas intrastate motor carriers have just over three years to install electronic logging devices (ELDs) in their commercial motor vehicles.

The Texas Department of Public Safety has issued a final rule requiring intrastate motor carriers and drivers to install and use ELDs that meet the requirements in Part 395 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) by December 16, 2019.

Until December 16, 2019, intrastate motor carriers in Texas may use:

- An ELD that meets the requirements in Part 395, Subpart B;
- An automatic on-board recording device that meets the requirements in Section 395.15; or
- A record of duty status that meets the requirements in Section 395.8.

Do note that this rulemaking does not alter any of Texas' hours-of-service limits or exceptions. It specifically requires ELD installation and use as mandated in Part 395 of the FMCSRs.

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## FMCSA issues final rule on Windshield-Mounted Technologies

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) issued a final rule to amend the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to allow the voluntary mounting of certain devices on the interior of the windshields of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs), including placement within the area that is swept by the windshield wipers.

Section 5301 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) directs the Agency to amend the FMCSRs to allow devices to be mounted on the windshield that utilize "vehicle safety technology."

In addition, section 5301 states that all windshield-mounted devices and technologies with a limited two-year exemption in effect on the date of enactment

shall be considered to meet the equivalent-or-greater safety standard required for the initial exemption.

The announcement of this final rule is a nondiscretionary, ministerial action that does not require prior notice and public comment under the Administrative Procedure Act.

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## Operation Safe Driver Week is Oct. 16-22

On August 2, 2016, the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) announced that its 2016 Operation Safe Driver Week would be held during Oct. 16-22, 2016. During this event, law enforcement agencies throughout North America will engage in increased traffic safety enforcement and education that will be focused on at combating unsafe driving behaviors by commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers and passenger-vehicle drivers.



The CVSA holds Operation Safe Driver Week in partnership with the FMCSA. It is supported by industry and transportation safety organizations, and aims to reduce the number of crashes, deaths and injuries involving large trucks, buses and cars due to unsafe driving behaviors.

### **Some unsafe behaviors that enforcement will be tracking throughout the event include the following:**

- Speeding
- Failure to use a seatbelt while operating a CMV or in a passenger vehicle
- Distracted driving
- Failure to obey traffic control devices
- Traveling too closely
- Improper lane changes

According to the CVSA, unsafe driver behavior by CMV drivers and passenger-vehicle drivers continues to be the leading cause of crashes. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) "Large Truck Crash Causation Study" cites driver behavior as the critical reason for more than 88 percent of large truck crashes and 93 percent of passenger-vehicle crashes.

For additional information:

<http://www2.idealease.com/e/36492/rograms-operation-safe-driver-/55xrfk/534978076>

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## Idealease New Location in Tampa, FL is on track for completion in December!

As reported back in July, On June 21 Idealease broke ground for a new location in

Tampa, FL. The walls are now up on the building and we are looking to hold an “Open House” sometime in November/December timeframe. The new state of the art lease and rental facility will be located at 5951 Orient Road in east Tampa.



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