



MEMORANDUM NOTE DE SERVICE

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Constable Rodney Hartlen - Reg no. 37778
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This submission is being provided to recognize the efforts of CST Rodney Hartlen and to recommend him for the CCMTA - Police Partnership Award. CST Hartlen is currently posted with the Traffic Services Unit in Oromocto, New Brunswick. He has more than twenty-six years of service with twenty-four years devoted to traffic safety.

If there is an example of integrated policing, CST Hartlen is a prime example. He has been involved in traffic safety for most of his service. He is an avid promoter of Road Safety Vision (RSV) 2010. Everything he undertakes is in promotion of RSV and the RCMP Traffic Services Strategic Framework. He realized early in his career and in his RSV endeavors that success in reducing traffic related deaths and injuries cannot be accomplished alone. The development of strategic partners is crucial to the success.

For the last five or more years, CST Hartlen has provided a schedule of traffic law enforcement campaigns. In planning of these initiatives, not only dates and locations are considered but inclusion of the many partners that he has worked long and hard with to establish a line of communication. The following are a few examples of his successes.

In 2007, as in previous years, CST Hartlen orchestrated approximately six - one and two week long focused enforcement campaigns. The target was to increase seat belt awareness and compliance. These initiatives included the local Fredericton City Police, Military Police, elements of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Branch (CVEB), Department of Public Safety Police Service Dog, Motor Vehicle Inspectors and Provincial Tax Inspectors. CST. Hartlen was featured in a CBC nationally televised short documentary on seat belt operations regarding surveys, safety ,enforcement and compliance of. Besides including these law enforcement representatives, he was able to obtain local RCMP resources and call upon the Division's Roving Traffic Unit to participate. These operations yielded hundreds of

seatbelt and other violations including illegal tobacco, wildlife game , CDSA etc. Provincial CVEB members were able to inspect countless heavy vehicles for log books , documents , dangerous goods, load security and unsafe commercial vehicles. Meanwhile Motor Vehicle Inspectors were able to take several passenger vehicles out of service at every operation due to mechanical defects.

As above, CST Hartlen was able to schedule a number of commercial vehicle inspection campaigns. This member is a level 1 Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Inspector. This affords him opportunities to work closely with our Provincial CVEB counterparts. In planning of these blitzes, CVEB inspection sites are used. Level 1, 2 and 3 inspections are conducted on medium and large commercial vehicles. Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Branch Mobile Units are called in from other areas of the province to participate. Several other provincial partners are also involved. These specific operations also involve elements of the RCMP Federal Enforcement Units, i.e., Custom and Excise, Drug Squads. Other Federal government agencies were involved and include Custom Canada and their Police Service Dog, Federal/Provincial Transportation of Dangerous Goods Inspectors , Federal Fisheries and Oceans, Environment Canada and Canada Customs and Immigration,. Along with the Federal units Provincial units such as N.B. Provincial Narcotic Dog, Fredericton Police Department and N.B. Department of Natural Resources are participants. Again, these operations result in the countless detection of commercial vehicle, provincial motor vehicle act violations and some major and minor contraband seizures including tobacco, alcohol and property. These traffic operations often result in restricting access or closure of certain segments of the provincial highways. In this respect, CST Hartlen has built a very strong relationship with two of our highway consortiums. Maritime Road Development and Brunway Inc. will, upon request, set up signage and, if necessary, install safety equipment on approaches to CST Hartlen's enforcement zones. This input by these two organization results in man hours of work on their part to set up and take down the temporary work zones.

In reference to MRDC and Brunway, as noted above, CST Hartlen's relation with these two organizations is of paramount importance during nearly all major traffic campaigns undertaken by this member and along the Trans Canada Highway. CST Hartlen is an expert and an instructor in many traffic venues. He coordinates local training and is often faced with securing facilities outside of his detachment. In this regard, he has been able on countless occasions to secure facilities at the MRDC Headquarters in Oromocto to conduct training. In this respect, they have even supplied the coffee. Everything has been at no cost to the Force due to the partnership he has developed with this company. MRDC have expressed their appreciation to CST. Hartlen for his dedication to road safety. This is based on him continually conducting speed, etc. enforcement within construction zones and sharing of collision data related to safety issues noted on their highway (Trans Canada

Highway) . Further to this, early last year, MRDC discovered that they had a surplus “total station survey system.” Knowing that CST Hartlen is a specialist in collision investigation, they offered and provided the system to him. This was donated/loaned him, at no cost to the Force. The only stipulation was they would need to use it on occasion and wanted continued access when the need arose. CST Hartlen has used this system on a number of occasions and MRDC has to date not asked for its’ use. This partnership continues to work very well.

CST Hartlen is a current CVSA Level 1 inspector. Every year, the Provincial Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Branch (CVEB) schedules and conducts countless “brake inspection” blitzes. These are conducted all across New Brunswick. Because of his close association with CVEB, CST Hartlen is frequently asked to and does participate in these blitzes. Some of these require him to reschedule etc. These blitzes are further to the above operations hereto highlighted.

In June of every year, the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance conducts their annual seventy-two hour blitzes. This is an international operation where commercial vehicle enforcement units from Canada, United States and Mexico work collectively to promote heavy commercial vehicle safety. Provincially, this initiative is driven by CVEB. CST Hartlen has been a CVSA level 1 inspector for many years. He easily meets the yearly requirements of thirty-two inspections per year. He is one of three RCMP inspectors called upon to participate. CST Hartlen, being a senior member, is given the choice of shifts etc. He is used to mentor other CVE operatives on site. Participants work in teams. CST Hartlen works side-by-side with CVEB inspectors at all times. Where CVEB inspectors are given expectations, CST Hartlen and other RCMP operatives routinely exceed these expectations. In 2006, CST Hartlen was recognized by CVEB for his continued contribution to heavy commercial road safety.

CST Hartlen is a Level IV Collision Reconstructionist. He is considered one of the best of the best in the field of motor vehicle crash investigation in New Brunswick and eastern Canada. In this capacity, he works very closely with the Transport Canada University of New Brunswick Collision Research Team. He has an open line of communication with the team members. He is the lead instructor on Collision Investigation Courses and as a result, he includes the Collision Research Team as presenters etc. Field testing is a norm for a reconstructionist and CST Hartlen does not hesitate to include the research team as a source etc. during these exercises.

In October 2007, the NB Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Safety Sub-Committee organized a massive traffic enforcement operation as a prelude to Operation Impact. CST

Hartlen's assistance was requested. As a result, he was able to coordinate the participation of thirteen law enforcement partners into a massive six hour, three prong operation. In all, more than forty-five police members participated. MRDC was tasked with the establishment of a temporary work zone. This was conducted outside the Fredericton City Police jurisdictions however, five City police members participated. As a Result of his relationship with the CFB Gagetown Military Police Detachment, they provided six members under the direction of a Captain to this operation. The entire operation was conducted under threatening skies and was dubbed a success.

CST Hartlens' devotion to improving public safety upon our roadways has been demonstrated time and time again. He advocates partnership development, integrated policing, team service delivery. These are qualities laid out in the RCMP's National Traffic Services Strategic Framework. He continues to call upon all partners to get involved in road safety vision and therefore should be given serious consideration for Police Partnership Award. Refer to App. A for a list of established partners of CST. Hartlen.

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The following is a list of Federal and Provincial agencies that CST Rodney Hartlen has built a rapport with over the last 8 years.:

1. Commercial vehicle Enforcement - Public Safety Rick Scott 444-4814
Involved in CVE inspections / Road Checks
2. Fisheries and Oceans - Jeff Irwin - 452-3018
Involved in checking vehicles under the Fisheries Act
3. Environment Canada Atl. Region Protection Branch Robert Robichaud 452-3286
Involved in the transportation and containment of Dangerous Good Materials
4. New Brunswick Motor Vehicle Inspectors Moncton
Dennis Plourde / Camille LeBlanc / Greg Bonnar / Tom Burke 471-6703
Involved in the inspections of vehicles that are unsafe to be on the highway
5. N.B. Public Safety Narcotic Specialty Unit - Gary.D.Fleiger 444-5611
Involved in narcotics searches
6. Fredericton Police Dept. - Andrew Miller / Gary Forward 460-2300
Involved in different traffic operations
7. Maritime Road Builders Corp - Ross Mathers 357-1240
Assists with lane closures and any type of assistance they are capable of pertaining to Road Safety
8. N.B. Finance Revenue and Taxation Div. - Stephen Berthelot 453-2708
Involved in Tobacco search and seizures
9. Canada Customs Police Dog Service - J.D.Clavette 325-8382
Involved in narcotic searches
10. Canada Customs and Immigration - Jamie Moore / Chris Maillet 325-3160
Involved with illegal migrants / Customs Act etc
11. RCMP Customs and Excise - Gilles Cote 452-3400
Custom and Excise Act violations
12. RCMP Roving Traffic Team - CST. Stephane Raymond
Drugs and other Contraband
13. Fredericton Police Force (Police Service Dog) - Scott Dixon 460-2300
Drug searches and seizures

14. Transportation of Dangerous Goods - Walter Cheevers 902-426-6130
Involved in the transportation of dangerous goods , placards and containment
15. Department of Natural Resources - Neil Jacobson / Shawn Farrell 453-2488
Involved in the enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Act
16. Transport Canada -University of New Brunswick - Collision Research Team
Dr. Frank Wilson, Mr. Greg Sypher452-6116
17. CFB Gagetown Military Police.
18. RCMP Federal Enforcement Units i.e., Customs and Excise, Drug Squad,