

# Mechanical Breakdown Emergency Response Procedure

## List who to call:

- Call \_\_\_\_\_ or 911 if the emergency warrants.
- Tire service \_\_\_\_\_
- Mechanical service \_\_\_\_\_
- Tow truck \_\_\_\_\_
- Replacement truck/trailer \_\_\_\_\_
- Be sure to explain that animals are on board and that a quick response is imperative.
- If there is going to be a lengthy delay in getting the load moving again, call \_\_\_\_\_ regarding the welfare of the load and alternate plans to get the animals to their destination (e.g. owners, destination, etc.).
- Other(s) \_\_\_\_\_

## List what steps or actions should be taken and, if applicable, who is responsible:

- Get the truck out of the traffic lanes, to the side of road or shoulder if possible.
- Set flashers and slip a reflective vest over your clothing. Exit the truck safely. Use the passenger door if you are on a busy highway.
- At night, take a flashlight and swing it as you walk near the side of the road.
- Perform a quick visual inspection of the unit. Check especially for smoke or fire.
- If you discover fire, attempt to extinguish it without lifting the hood or other covers on the truck.
- Set reflectors at a slant pattern starting from the back left corner of the truck to 150 metres/500 feet if possible.
- Make note of the closest mile marker if visible.
- If there is a leak, stop it if possible using wooden dowels or putty and use absorbent snakes to contain the spill.
- **If the press or animal activists should arrive at the scene, don't be rude. Be cordial but explain that you are focused on the care of the animals and safety of the load.**
- Other:

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