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RE: Commissioner's Weekly Coronavirus Update – June 1, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

As we start the month of June and look to the summer ahead, I again want to say thank you to our hardworking employees. When this pandemic started, we could have never imagined the impact it would have had on nearly every aspect of the way we work and live. Regardless of the challenges, here at CTDOT, we continue to forge ahead.

Part of our process to move forward is by engaging employees. Last week, we closed our employee Health and Safety survey. I am proud to report that we received more than 1,727 survey responses electronically and by paper - that is a 60% response rate! Thank you! The volume of responses tells us that employees have concerns and they want the Department to know about them. As we start to compile the feedback to share more broadly, please know your input matters and will be considered by the CTDOT COVID Steering Committee as we move forward.

As more parts of the state start to "reopen" in June, please be assured <u>all employees who have been</u> <u>working remotely will continue to work from home</u> until you receive additional direction from CTDOT. Our ability to create and sustain a COVID-safe work environment, requires thoughtful planning and communications—and we will not rush workforce reentry as the CTDOT COVID Steering Committee reviews your feedback and recommendations.

Keep your stories and pictures of staff going the "extra mile" coming into me (email) – they are important and appreciated. And remember, you can find more information related to COVID announcements on the employee webpage: https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/StaffCOVID/Info, which now includes Safety Bulletins.

Stay well. Stay safe.

Sincerely,

Joe Giulietti Commissioner

Other DOT Updates

- This week, CTDOT launched a <u>Student Poster Contest to Thank and Recognize Transit Workers</u>
 <u>'Heroes Moving Heroes'</u> [Contest details can also be found <u>here</u>]
- Last week, CTDOT (<u>@CTDOTOfficial</u>) joined Twitter, adding to the ranks of <u>@CTDOT_Statewide</u> and <u>@CThighwaysafety</u>. Check CTDOT out, follow & share!