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Ag Commissioner Andy Gipson Reminds Travelers to Be on Lookout for MDAC's America250 Inspection Stickers this Holiday Weekend

JACKSON, Miss. – Today, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson reminded Mississippians to be on the lookout for the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce's (MDAC) America250-themed inspection stickers at gas stations while traveling this holiday weekend.

“Our petroleum inspectors work hard year-round to ensure consumers are getting what they pay for at the gas pump,” said Commissioner Gipson. “With the Fourth of July coming up this weekend, I know lots of families will be on the road traveling to and from Independence Day celebrations. So, I encourage my fellow Mississippians to always look for that MDAC seal of approval when gassing up and thank our inspectors the next time you see them out in the field.”

MDAC's Petroleum Products Inspection Division regulates approximately 2.3 billion gallons of fuel consumed by Mississippians and visitors to the state, ensuring compliance with all laws and regulations. Last year alone, MDAC petroleum inspectors tested 60,186 devices found at gas stations.

Visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btuH75c3VA&t=41s> to watch MDAC's Petroleum Division in action describing the inspections they conduct on behalf of the people of Mississippi. These inspections consist of ensuring the accuracy of Retail Motor-Fuel Dispensers, commonly known as gas pumps; testing for the presence of water; checking signage to ensure that the proper price is displayed on all signs; and checking the quality of the fuel to ensure proper product designations.

“Most people may not realize that the work our agency does touches the lives of all Mississippians,” said Jennifer Thompson, Director of MDAC's Bureau of Regulatory Services. “Our dedicated inspectors serve and protect consumers – from checking produce scales at grocery stores to testing gas pumps at service stations, our regulatory staff upholds fairness and equity in the marketplace day in and day out.”

MDAC's Bureau of Regulatory Services is divided into area-specific divisions that regulate certain businesses within the state. Three divisions, Consumer Protection, Petroleum Products Inspection, and

Weights and Measures, administer these stickers throughout retail locations statewide upon passing inspection. In honor of the nation's 250th anniversary, the 2026 MDAC inspection stickers feature the colors of the American flag – red, white and blue – as well as the America250 logo.

Consumers with any questions or concerns about the quality, weight or quantity of product(s) purchased are encouraged to scan the QR code or call the number provided on MDAC's regulatory inspection stickers.

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Photo attached.



MDAC Regulatory Inspection stickers (pictured) are administered across retail locations statewide upon passing inspection.