

## Winter Maintenance

**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> May 2010

### Winter Maintenance 2009 - 2010

Winter 2009/10 proved to be the most onerous to date for Scotland TranServ, and was statistically the coldest in Scotland since 1963.

Salting was required on 3rd October 2009 and although snowfall was not experienced until 24th November, this proved to be the first of 82 days of snow. Significant and widespread snowfall occurred between mid December and the end of February. By the day of the last treatments, 12th May 2010, over 36,000 Tonnes of salt had been spread on the North West Trunk Road Network.

In common with the rest of the UK, TranServ had to put salt preservation measures in place to maintain adequate supplies of salt stocks. Despite this combination of severe weather and salt shortages, road closures were kept to a minimum, with only seven closures over the winter period.

Contract KPIs were maintained at a very high level, and a letter was received from Transport Scotland thanking us for the dedication and professionalism displayed by TranServ staff and operatives. It is this dedication and professionalism allied to careful pre-planning and organisation which resulted in TranServ once more delivering a first class winter service.

