

CR 89-140

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, RONALD R. FIEDLER, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and custodian of the official records, do hereby certify that the rule relating to **allowing the operation of "double bottoms" and certain other combination vehicles greater than 60 feet in overall length on the specified highway or highways between STH 11 near Brodhead and IH 90 near Beloit** was duly approved and adopted by this Department on **June 12, 1990**.

I further certify that this copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department of Transportation at 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 12th day of June, 1990.

for Donald H. Jorgensen, Deputy
RONALD R. FIEDLER, P.E.
Secretary

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A RULE amending s. Trans 276.07 (11), *
 (11), (17) and (26), Wisconsin Admin- *
 istrative Code, and creating s. Trans *
 276.07 (40m), Wisconsin Administrative *
 Code, to allow the operation of "double *
 bottoms" and certain other combination *
 vehicles greater than 60 feet in overall *
 length on the specified highway or high- *
 ways between STH 11 near Brodhead and *
 IH 90 near Beloit. *

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General Summary of Rule. This rule amends s. Trans 276.07 (11), (17) and (26), Wisconsin Administrative Code, and creates s. Trans 276.07 (40m), to temporarily add 4 segments of highway to the designated highway system established under s. 348.07 (4), Wis. Stats. The route designated by this rule was identified as Alternative "B" in the proposed rule. The specific highway segments that this rule adds to the designated highway system are:

1. State Trunk Highway 81 from State Trunk Highway 11 at Brodhead to State Trunk Highway 213 (Fourth Street) in Beloit.
2. State Trunk Highway 213 from Broad Street in Beloit to State Trunk Highway 81 (Liberty Street) in Beloit.
3. Broad Street, in the City of Beloit, from State Trunk Highway 213 in Beloit to U.S. Highway 51 (also called Broad Street) in Beloit.
4. U.S. Highway 51 from the Illinois line to Broad Street in Beloit.

These highways are added to the designated system only until December 31, 1995.

The "long" trucks to which this rule applies are those with 53 foot semitrailers, double bottoms, and the vehicles which may legally operate on the federal National Network of highways but that exceed this state's regular limits on overall length. Generally, no person may operate any single vehicle with an overall length in excess of 40 feet, or any combination of 2 vehicles with an overall length in excess of 60 feet, a semitrailer longer than 48 feet, an automobile haulaway longer than 66 feet plus allowed overhangs, or a twin trailer vehicle (i.e., a "double bottom") on Wisconsin's non-Interstate highways without a permit. Certain exceptions are provided under s. 348.07 (2), Wis. Stats., which implements provisions of the federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act in Wisconsin.

The effect of this rule will be to temporarily extend the provisions of s. 348.07 (2) (f), (fm), (gm) and (gr) and s. 348.08 (1) (e), Wis. Stats., to a route connecting STH 11 near Brodhead to IH 90 near Beloit. As a result, vehicles which may legally operate on Interstate highways in Wisconsin will also be allowed to operate on the newly designated highways. Specifically, this means there will be no overall length limitation for a tractor-semitrailer combination, a double bottom or an automobile haulaway on the affected highway segments. There will be no length limitation for a truck tractor or road tractor when operated in a tractor-semitrailer combination or as part of a double bottom or an automobile haulaway. Double bottoms will be allowed to operate on the affected highway segments, provided neither trailer unit is longer than 28 feet 6 inches. Semitrailers up to 53 feet long will also be allowed to be operated, provided the kingpin to rear axle distance does not exceed 41 feet. This distance is measured from the kingpin to the center of the rear axle, or, if the semitrailer has a tandem axle, to a point midway between the first and last axles of the tandem. Otherwise, semitrailers, including semitrailers which are part of an automobile haulaway, are limited to 48 feet in length.

These vehicles and combinations are also allowed to operate on undesignated highways for a distance of 5 miles or less from the designated highway in order to reach fuel, food, maintenance, repair, rest, staging, terminal or vehicle assembly facilities or points of loading or unloading. After loading or unloading, these vehicles and combinations may also be operated on an undesignated highway for up to 5 miles in order to obtain access to a designated highway. Use of an undesignated highway merely as a through route between designated highways is not permitted.

On January 18, 1990, the Department of Transportation submitted a modification of proposed Clearinghouse Rule 89-140 to the Assembly and Senate Standing Committees pursuant to sec. 227.19(4)(b)3, Stats. The modification replaced Part 2 of the proposed rule as originally submitted to the Legislature on November 28, 1989.

The change made by this modification was to delay extending the provisions of s. 348.07(2)(f), (fm), (gm) and (gr) and sec. 348.08(1)(e), Stats. First, the change designating the various routes does not become effective until January 1, 1992. Second, the designation terminates if: (1) the Department determines, by rule, that Illinois has designated State Trunk Highway 26 from the Wisconsin border to U.S. Highway 20, north of Freeport, Illinois as a designated highway; (2) the Department determines and designates a more feasible alternative; or (3) on January 1, 1996.

Authority for Rule. Section 348.07(4), Wis. Stats., provides that the Secretary of the Department of Transportation shall designate, by administrative rule, highways to which s. 348.07 (2) (f), (fm), (gm) and (gr) and s. 348.08 (1) (e), Wis. Stats., shall apply.

Final Fiscal Estimate. The Department estimates that there will be no direct fiscal impact from this rule making upon the state and anticipates no effect upon the fiscal liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, vocational, technical and adult education school district or sewerage district.

Copies of Rule and Contact Persons. Copies of this rule are available without cost upon request to the Office of General Counsel, P.O. Box 7910, Madison, Wisconsin 53707. For questions about this rule making, please call Joe Maassen, Office of General Counsel, (608) 266-8810, or Harry Price, State Traffic Engineer, at (608) 266-2375.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. Trans 276.07 (11m), (17m) and (26m) and (40m) are created to read:

	[Route]	[From]	[To]
(11m)	USH 51	Ill. Line at Beloit	Broad St. in Beloit
(17m)	STH 81	STH 11 S. of Brodhead	STH 213 in Beloit
(26m)	STH 213	Broad St. in Beloit	STH 81 in Beloit
(40m)	CITY OF BELOIT:		
	Broad St.	STH 213 in Beloit	USH 51 in Beloit

SECTION 2. Trans 276.09 is created to read:

TRANS 276.09 APPLICABILITY. The treatment of Trans 276.07 (11m), (17m), (26m) and (40m) applies beginning January 1, 1992, and ending when any one of the following occur:

(1) The department determines, by rule, that the State of Illinois has designated Illinois State Trunk Highway 26 from the Wisconsin border to U.S. Highway 20, north of Freeport, Illinois, as a designated highway for the operation of vehicles and combinations of vehicles the overall length of which cannot be limited.

(2) The department, as a result of the Rock County Transportation Study authorized by 1989 Wisconsin Act 31, Section 3053 (7e), determines and designates a more feasible alternative route than the route provided under Trans 276.07 (11m), (17m), (26m) and (40m).

(3) On January 1, 1996.

(END OF RULE TEXT)

Effective Date: This rule, as now modified, shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register as provided in s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Wis. Stats. This rule will expire on December 31, 1995.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin this 12th day of June, 1990.

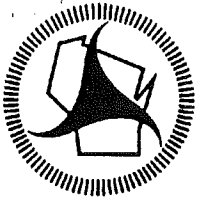
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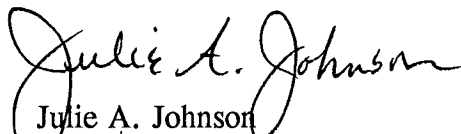
RE: CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 89-140

In the Matter of the Adoption of **TRANS 276**, Wisconsin Administrative Code, relating to the allowance of the operation of "double bottoms" and certain other combination vehicles greater than 60 feet in overall length on the specified highway or highways between STH 11 near Brodhead and IH 90 near Beloit.

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to sec. 227.20, Wis. Stats., is a certified copy of **CR 89-140**, an administrative rule relating to the above-mentioned matter. This rule is submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,


Julie A. Johnson
Paralegal

Enclosures

cc: Tom Walker
Linda Thelke
Sandy Beaupre
Jim Thiel
Marv Schaeffer
Harry Price
Fred Ross