



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #252

Declaration of a State of Emergency Relating to the Transportation of Emergency Relief Supplies

WHEREAS, Hurricane Harvey has adversely impacted the States of Texas and Louisiana causing dangerous and life-threatening conditions for the populations of those states; and

WHEREAS, this catastrophic damage creates a need to transport large amounts of emergency relief supplies (including food, clothing, fuel, building materials, and medical supplies) on Wisconsin highways; and

WHEREAS, allowing the transportation of loads of emergency relief supplies, in a safe manner and as described in this Order, will benefit persons injured by Hurricane Harvey; and

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2017, in response to Hurricane Harvey and its effects on people and property, including the immediate threat to human life or public welfare, the Field Administrator for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Western Service Center and Regional Field Administrator for FMCSA's Southern Service Center issued a regional emergency declaration in the States of Texas and Louisiana and an exemption from Parts 390 through 399 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, subject to restrictions; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2017, in response to anticipated fuel shortages due to refinery delays and interruption of delivery through pipelines as a result of damage from Hurricane Harvey, the Field Administrator for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Western Service Center and Regional Field Administrators for FMCSA's Southern Service Center, Eastern Service Center, and Midwestern Service Center issued a regional emergency declaration and an exemption from Parts 390 through 399 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, subject to restrictions, for Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C., and West Virginia; and

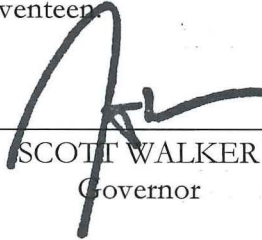
WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation has waived the fee required to obtain a 72-hour trip permit for vehicles traveling into Wisconsin that are not registered in Wisconsin nor enrolled in the International Registration Plan (IRP) of the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) and are providing emergency relief and assistance to the affected areas;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, including sections 323.10 and 323.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes and section 390.23 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, do hereby declare the damage caused by Hurricane Harvey to be a natural disaster causing an indirect impact on the State of Wisconsin, and I further declare that a state of emergency shall exist for the entire State of Wisconsin, effective, Friday, September 8, 2017, for a period of thirty (30) days for the purpose of providing emergency relief and assistance relating to Hurricane Harvey. Pursuant to this state of emergency, and by the authority vested in me by the aforementioned regulations, I hereby order that:

1. Interstate and intrastate carriers providing direct emergency relief and assistance relating to Hurricane Harvey are relieved from the requirements contained in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, Title 49 C.F.R. Parts 390-399 and Wis. Admin. Code chs. TRANS 325 and 327, subject to the restrictions and limitations described in the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's August 25, 2017, Regional Declaration of Emergency Under 49 C.F.R. § 390.23 and August 31, 2017, Regional Declaration of Emergency Under 49 C.F.R. § 390.23. This relief is valid for the duration of the motor carrier's assistance in the disaster relief effort or the duration of this Order, whichever is less.
2. This Order does not suspend the operation of any state or federal laws within the State of Wisconsin except as specifically described in the Order. All other laws remain in full force and will be enforced.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this eighth day of September in the year two thousand seventeen.



SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State