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EXECUTIVE ORDER #79

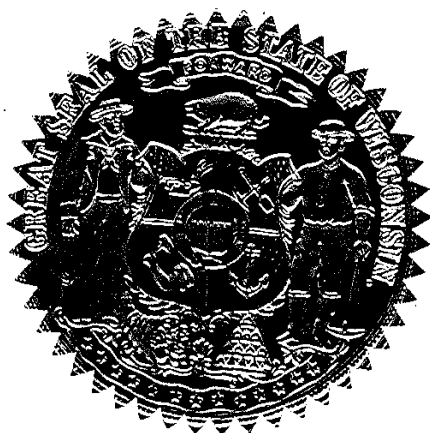
**Relating to Wisconsin's Response to Drought
Conditions and amending Executive Order #77**

WHEREAS, the prolonged, region-wide drought has caused hay crop failure leading to premature slaughtering of farm animals and a potentially devastating impact upon farm families and the State's economy; and

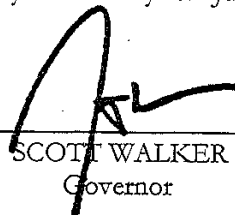
WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, will be requesting that the Secretary of Transportation authorize the issuance of "Agricultural Emergency Permits" pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 348.27, which allow increased weight, height and width limits on transportation of hay to affected portions of the state; and

WHEREAS, the permit fees issued under Wis. Stat. §§ 348.26 & 348.27 have been waived during past states of emergency such as pursuant to Governor Doyle Executive Order 118 for Hurricane Katrina supplies;

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, and specifically by sections 323.10 and 323.12(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes do hereby amend Executive Order # 77 to direct the Department of Transportation to waive the fees required for permits under Wis. Stat. § 348.27(11m) and issued as a result of the present Declaration of Agriculture Emergency.



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 twenty-fourth day of July in the year 2012.


SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State