

Clearinghouse Rule 99-144

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

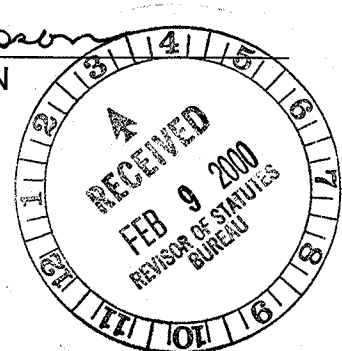
I, CHARLES H. THOMPSON, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and custodian of the official records, do hereby certify that the rule, relating to **wood harvesting slashers**, was duly approved and adopted by this Department on February 7, 2000.

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.



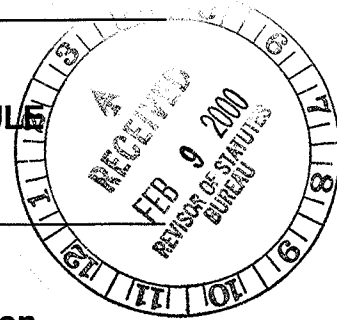
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department of Transportation at 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 7 day of **February**, 2000.

Charles H. Thompson
CHARLES H. THOMPSON
Secretary



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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation adopts an order to create ch. TRANS 316, Wisconsin Administrative Code, relating to wood harvesting slasher.

ORDER ADOPTING RULE**Analysis Prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation**

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: s. 341.05(25), Stats., as created by 1997 Wis. Act 269
STATUTES INTERPRETED: s. 341.05(25), Stats.

General Summary of Rule. This rule making creates ch. Trans 316 which permits wood harvesting slashers to be included in the list of vehicles exempt from registration, and permit uniform enforcement of its exemption from vehicle registration requirements by both law enforcement and operators. The rule also defines "wood harvesting slasher" pursuant to s. 341.05(25), Stats., as created by 1997 Wis. Act 269.

Fiscal Impact. The Department estimates that there will be no fiscal impact on the liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, vocational, technical and adult education district or sewerage district. The Department estimates that there will be no fiscal impact on state revenues or liabilities.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis. This rule will have no adverse impact on small businesses.

Copies of Rule. Copies of this rule may be obtained upon request, without cost, by writing to Lorelee Brumund, Department of Transportation, Division of State Patrol, Room 551, P. O. Box 7912, Madison, WI 53707-7912, or by calling (608) 267-3622. Alternate formats of the rule will be provided to individuals at their request.

TEXT OF RULE

Under the authority vested in the state of Wisconsin, department of transportation, by s. 341.05(25), Stats., the department of transportation hereby adopts a rule interpreting s. 341.05(25), Stats., relating to wood harvesting slasher.

SECTION 1. Chapter Trans 316 is created to read:

CHAPTER TRANS 316
WOOD HARVESTING SLASHERS

TRANS 316.01 Purpose and scope. The purpose of this chapter is to define wood harvesting slasher pursuant to s. 341.05(25), Stats., as a vehicle exempt from registration.

TRANS 316.02 Definitions. In this chapter:

(1) "Self-propelled slasher" means a slasher that is self-propelled when used for cutting functions, but which requires a separate vehicle for transport purposes.

(2) "Tree loader" means a mechanism, constructed as part of the slasher unit, that is used to load trees onto the slasher saw table for cutting.

(3) "Truck-mounted slasher" means a slasher that is permanently secured to a truck for use during cutting functions and for transport purposes.

(4) "Wood harvesting slasher" means a slasher with a mounted tree loader constructed specifically to cut trees to specific lengths and principally used off the highway. These units include either of the following:

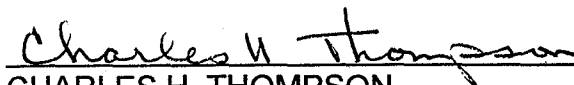
(a) A self-propelled slasher mounted on or towed by an articulated semi-trailer or trailer that shall be considered as a single unit.

(b) A truck-mounted motorized slasher that shall be considered as a single unit.

(END OF RULE TEXT)

Effective Date. This rule shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register as provided in s. 227.22(2), Stats.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 7 day of February, 2000.



CHARLES H. THOMPSON
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Wisconsin Department of Transportation



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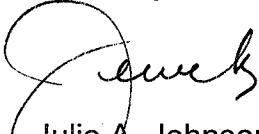
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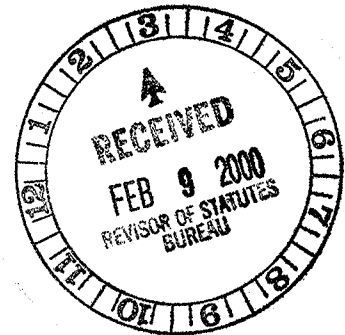
In the Matter of the Adoption of **TRANS 316**, Wisconsin Administrative Code,
relating to **wood harvesting slashers**

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to s. 227.20, Wis. Stats., is a certified copy of **CR 99-144**, an administrative rule relating to the above-mentioned matter.

Sincerely,


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Paralegal



Enclosures

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Loralee Brumund