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COMMISSIONER of HIGHWAYS

January 10, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Affected Agencies and Shippers/Carriers

SUBJECT: Waiver to Carriers Transporting Essential Emergency Relief Supplies (Water) to West Virginia

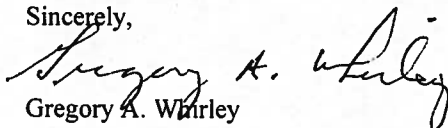
Due to contaminated water impacts in West Virginia, there is a need for the Commonwealth to assist in coordinating transportation of potable water into the impacted areas of West Virginia.

As a result, the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles jointly authorize a temporary waiver of registration and license requirements for the purpose of ensuring that essential emergency supplies (water) reach the disaster area in a timely manner. This waiver is effective beginning 3 pm January 10, 2014 until 3 pm February 10, 2014 and includes an exemption in coordination with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management which activates the FMCSA Section 390.23 Relief of Regulations including hours of service. It pertains only to statewide shippers and carriers providing emergency supplies (water) to the contaminated locations in West Virginia

Loads are restricted to a maximum of 12 feet wide provided they follow the hauling permit regulations and safety guidelines as published in the Virginia Hauling Permit Manual.

This information is for immediate dissemination to preclude inadvertent ticketing or detention. Multi-agency support and cooperation are appreciated. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Earl Sharp at (804) 225-3157 or 804-786-4692.

Sincerely,


Gregory A. Whirley