WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America has issued various Declarations of Emergency for jurisdictions within the continental United States, which are expected to be adversely impacted by Hurricane Irene; and

WHEREAS, there is an anticipated increase in travel of oversize/overweight vehicles on national interstate highways, for the purpose of transporting manufactured homes, construction materials and other large items specific to the recovery effort; and

WHEREAS, such travel is anticipated to occur within and through the State of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency may be requesting waivers of state enforcement of laws and regulation, strictly for the transport of manufactured homes, construction materials and other large items specific to the recovery effort by oversized/overweight vehicles;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jennifer L. Cohan, Director, Division of Motor Vehicles, acting under the authority vested in me by the State of Delaware Department of Transportation, do hereby order the following:

1. Effective August 28, 2011, and for a period of forty five (45) days, and subject to renewal if necessary, the State of Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles will waive the legal requirement to obtain a hauling permit for the movement of oversize/overweight vehicles along all roadways in the State of Delaware.

2. Waiver is granted only to oversized/overweight vehicles transporting materials to be used in emergency disaster relief or humanitarian relief purposes in the areas that have been declared disaster areas by federal or state proclamation.
3. Oversize/overweight vehicles traveling under this waiver, on roadways designated in this document, do not require escort when carrying the following types of loads:

- Loads up to and including one hundred (100) feet in length;
- Loads up to and including fourteen (14) feet in width;
- Loads up to and including fourteen (14) feet in height.

4. Oversize/Overweight vehicles traveling under this waiver, on roadways designed in this document, require an escort when carrying the following types of loads:

- Loads between one hundred one (101) and including one hundred (119) feet in length;
- Loads between fourteen (14) and including (16) feet in width;

NOTE: Loads may not exceed fourteen (14) feet in height.

5. A copy of this notice must be maintained in each oversize/overweight vehicle destined for the areas designated in Section 2 of this document. The Delaware State Police have received notification of this Emergency Order.

6. All applicable Delaware laws, rules and regulations governing the movement of oversize/overweight vehicles are still in force and must be followed.

7. Vehicles meeting the criteria in Sections 2, 3, and 4 of this document are authorized to travel on all roadways.

8. Nothing in this document shall be construed or interpreted as being applicable to the movement of oversize/overweight vehicles which are not related to the transport of manufactured homes, construction materials and other large items specific to the recovery effort.

APPROVED BY:

Jennifer L. Cohan
Director, Division of Motor Vehicles
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