



**Illinois Department of Revenue**

101 West Jefferson Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62702

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** IFTA, Inc.

**FROM:** Trent Knoles,  
IFTA Commissioner

**DATE:** November 19, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Emergency Declaration: November 17<sup>th</sup> Illinois Tornadoes

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On November 18, 2013, Governor Pat Quinn declared several Illinois counties disaster areas resulting from numerous destructive tornadoes and storms. Pursuant to 35 ILCS 505/13a.4 and 35 ILCS 505/13a.5, Illinois will waive motor fuel use tax licensing requirements for IFTA-qualified motor vehicles responding to, or providing goods and/or services to, the affected areas. This statute provides:

For commercial motor vehicles traveling into the State of Illinois, through Illinois, or returning to Illinois from a point outside Illinois, for the purpose of providing emergency goods and services to and within areas requiring disaster relief, the Director may suspend requirements for licensing or permits required by the Illinois Motor Fuel Tax Act.

Effective November 18 through December 18, 2013, a qualified commercial motor vehicle traveling within the State of Illinois that is stopped or otherwise detained by order of a State or Local Law Enforcement Officer, or other lawful authority, and which is found to be operating without registration under the Illinois Motor Fuel Use Tax Act, or without a single trip permit, shall not be ticketed or otherwise penalized for such violation if the operator of the vehicle can provide proof that the destination of the vehicle is to a point within the major disaster area declared by the Governor of Illinois, or that the vehicle's destination is to a point outside the State of Illinois and the vehicle's last destination was within the major disaster area.

Please post this temporary waiver of IFTA licensing appropriately for notification to the IFTA community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trent Knoles".

Trent Knoles,  
Illinois IFTA Commissioner