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State of Illinois Emergency Waiver of IFTA Registration Regarding December 2015 Floods January 5, 2016

On December 29, 2015, Governor Bruce Rauner declared the Illinois counties of Calhoun, Jackson, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, Randolph, and St. Clair as disaster areas resulting from devastation caused by severe storms and heavy rainfall across much of Illinois. As of today, a total of twenty-three counties have been declared as disaster areas resulting from the December 2015 Floods. As persistent flooding is expected from breached levies, saturated ground, and anticipated rain and snow, additional counties may be included in the disaster proclamation. 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 declared as disasters by Governor Rauner. 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 December 29, 2015 through January 29, 2016, 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. For additional information, please visit our web site at tax.illinois.gov.

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