



**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR
AMENDING PROCLAMATIONS 19-03 & 19-05**

19-07

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2019, I issued Proclamation 19-02 proclaiming a State of Emergency for all counties throughout the state of Washington and exempting motor carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles collecting and delivering intrastate bulk milk products and those delivering deicing road salt to municipalities in the State from the driver hours of service rules until midnight on February 13, 2019, as a result of a severe winter storm forecast to produce extensive snowfall and ice causing hazardous driving conditions and extended road closures on mountain passes and other roadways throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2019, as a result of the impact of road closures and hazardous driving conditions on grocery and propane deliveries, I issued Proclamation 19-03 amending Proclamation 19-02 by extending the current exemption from application of the driver hours of service rules to midnight on February 15, 2019, and to include motor carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles collecting and delivering essential food and emergency supplies to grocery stores for retail resale, and delivering bulk propane fuel supplies to bulk propane distributors, when operating within specified constraints stated therein; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2019, as a result of intensifying storm conditions, additional road closures, and increasingly hazardous driving conditions, I issued Proclamation 19-04 amending Proclamation 19-02 by extending the current exemption from application of the driver hours of service rules to include motor carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles delivering essential and emergency runway deicer and wing deicer manufacturing supplies and finished products to deicer manufacturing facilities and airports throughout the State, when operating within specified constraints stated therein; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2019, as a result of continuing storm conditions, road closures, and hazardous driving conditions, I issued Proclamation 19-05 amending Proclamations 19-02, 19-03 and 19-04 by extending the exemptions from application of the driver hours of service rules therein to midnight on February 20, 2019, and ordering the organized militia of Washington State into active state service; and

WHEREAS, current weather forecasts predict unsettled weather to continue through next weekend, with winter storm conditions expected to continue through February 24, 2019, which are expected to result in ongoing hazardous driving conditions and road closures throughout the State, impacting the ability of the propane industry to provide consistent and timely availability of propane supplies to bulk distributors and resulting in depletion of available propane fuel supplies for impacted residential, commercial and agricultural needs, which is incident to the immediate restoration of essential fuel supplies and to supplement state and local efforts to save lives and to protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the effects of this storm continue to impact the life and health of our people, as well as the property and infrastructure of Washington State, and is a public disaster that affects life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Military Department, through the State Emergency Operations Center, will continue to coordinate all event-related assistance to the affected areas, monitor the ongoing situation, and assess the impacts of the storm; and

WHEREAS, based on these conditions, this amendment extends the current exemption for delivering bulk propane fuel supplies to bulk propane distributors, when operating within specified constraints, from application of the driver hours of service rules in Proclamations 19-03 and 19-05, from midnight on February 20, 2019, to midnight on February 26, 2019, and which otherwise remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay R. Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, as a result of the above-noted situation and under Chapters 38.52 and 43.06 RCW, do hereby proclaim that Proclamations 19-03 and 19-05 are amended to extend the current exemption from application of the driver hours of service rules for delivering bulk propane fuel supplies to bulk propane distributors from midnight on February 20, 2019, to midnight on February 26, 2019, that Proclamations 19-03 and 19-05 otherwise remain unchanged and in effect, and that a State of Emergency continues to exist in all counties of the state of Washington. I again direct the plans and procedures in the *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan* be implemented. State agencies and departments are directed to utilize state resources and to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the event. Additionally, I direct that the Washington Military Department, Emergency Management Division, continue to coordinate all event-related assistance to the affected areas.

Signed and sealed with the official seal of the state of Washington on this 20th day of February A.D., Two Thousand and Nineteen at Olympia, Washington.

By:

/s/
Jay Inslee, Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

/s/
Secretary of State