



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY EXEMPTION NOTICE

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) §14-163c, and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10, the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, Antonio Guerrero, has granted a limited exemption from the provisions of 49 CFR §395.3, specifically for the **intrastate** transportation of gasoline, diesel fuel, fuel oil, biodiesel and propane, in connection with the devastating effects of Hurricane Ida, that left Connecticut, in a state of emergency, and all of the resulting problems that were associated with said Hurricane, and its overall impact on the State of Connecticut. **This emergency exemption is effective beginning September 10, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Declaration of this emergency exemption provides motor carriers with relief from 49 CFR §395.3 and CGS §14-163c only while providing direct assistance through the delivery of gasoline, diesel fuel, fuel oil, biodiesel and propane to Connecticut homes and businesses during the emergency. This declaration of emergency exemption applies to certain Hours of Service Regulations under 49 CFR Part 395. Direct assistance terminates when a driver or commercial motor vehicle is used in intrastate or interstate commerce to transport cargo not destined for the emergency relief effort or when the carrier dispatches such driver to another location to begin operations in commerce.

Nothing contained in this declaration shall be construed as an exemption from the Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing requirements (49 CFR Part 382), the Commercial Driver's License requirements (49 CFR Part 383), the Minimum Levels of Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers (49 CFR Part 387) and applicable size and weight requirements or any other portion of the statutes or regulations not specifically identified herein.

Motor Carriers that have an Out-of-Service Order in effect cannot take advantage of the relief from the regulations that this declaration provides under CGS §14-163c and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10. Additionally, motor carriers who have any revocation of registration privileges under CGS §14-35a or §14-215 by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles cannot take advantage of relief from regulations.

No motor carrier operating under the terms of this notice shall require or permit a fatigued or ill driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle. A driver who informs a motor carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given at least ten consecutive hours off-duty before the driver is allowed to return to service.

Drivers of motor carriers that operate under the Declaration of Emergency Exemption Notice must have a copy of it in their possession.

Drivers who utilize this exemption may come back into compliance and restart the hours of service clock after 24 hours off-duty which starts at the end of their extended-hours period.

Consistent with CGS §14-163c, and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10, this emergency exemption notice will remain in effect until **October 10, 2021 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Antonio Guerrero
Deputy Commissioner
State of Connecticut
Department of Motor Vehicles

9/10/21
Date

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