MEMORANDUM

TO: Affected Agencies and Shippers/Carriers

FROM: Secretary Byrd E. White, III
Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways

SUBJECT: Waiver for carriers transporting essential supplies in response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak

In order to respond to the outbreak of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and in an effort to assist in other areas of the United States, the Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways is seeking relief for all carriers transporting essential supplies throughout the State of West Virginia in an effort to support the relief efforts.

As a result, the Secretary of Transportation/Commissioner of Highways authorizes a temporary waiver allowing haulers to travel utilizing oversize/overweight permits while carrying these vital relief supplies. This waiver is effective beginning 5:00 PM, March 13, 2020 until 5:00 PM April 13, 2020, and includes an exemption which activates the FMCSA Section 390.23 Relief of Regulations, including hours of service. This waiver only pertains to statewide shippers and carriers associated with emergency relief efforts.

Oversize/Overweight hauling permits can be purchased at http://wv.gotpermits.com. When traveling with a valid oversize/overweight permit in accordance to this waiver, all applicable travel restrictions do not apply.

This information is for immediate dissemination to preclude inadvertent ticketing or detention. Multi-agency support and cooperation is appreciated. Please refer all questions to Mr. Todd Gibson at (304) 767-5526.

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