

John R. Kasich, Governor

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**NOTICE** 

TO: Interested Carriers

FROM: Milan Orbovich. Director

**Transportation Department** 

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

DATE: August 2, 2014

RE: Regulatory Relief from Hours-of-Service Requirements for Intrastate Operation of

Commercial Motor Vehicles Transporting Water and Other Related Emergency Supplies and Materials for the Residences and Businesses in Fulton, Lucas and Wood Counties.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio hereby grants regulatory relief from the hours-of-service requirements pursuant to Rule 4901:2-5-02 of the Ohio Administrative Code (Ohio Admin.Code) for the intrastate transportation of water and other related emergency supplies and materials to the residences and businesses in Fulton, Lucas and Wood Counties. The regulatory relief granted in this notice pertains only to the hours-of-service regulations found in 49 C.F.R. Section 395.3.

Rule 4901:2.5-02 of the Ohio Administrative Code, provides for regulatory relief from the hours-of-service regulations for motor carriers operating in intrastate commerce during a time of emergency. On November 4, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio adopted and approved a "Policy for Regulatory Relief in Emergency Situations" to implement this rule.

The regulatory relief granted in this notice does not alter a motor carrier's duty to monitor its drivers; maintain records of duty status; and to ensure drivers are not ill, fatigued, impaired, or otherwise unable to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely. This regulatory relief does not provide an exemption from the commercial driver's license requirements (refer to 49 C.F.R. Part 383), the controlled substance and alcohol use and testing requirements (refer to 49 C.F.R. Part 382) and / or the financial responsibility (insurance) requirements adopted by the Commission.

Drivers must keep a written or electronic copy of this notice in each vehicle affected by this grant of regulatory relief. This regulatory relief will not apply to vehicles that do not have a copy of this notice.

This grant of regulatory relief is effective immediately and expires at 11:59 PM, August 9, 2014.

Once this grant of regulatory relief expires, drivers must comply with the off duty requirements in 49 C.F.R. Section 395.3 concerning 60 / 70 hour rules, or take a 34 hour restart, to retrun to active duty status.

Please contact the PUCO Transportation Department at (614) 466-0369 with questions regarding this matter.

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