Pursuant to N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33 et seq., and in light of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulation 49 C.F.R. Part 390.23(a)(1)(i), which allows for an exemption to the hours of service regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 395 upon declaration of emergency by the Governor or an authorized representative, the Governor hereby declares an emergency due to the extreme cold weather, winter storm events, and local market conditions, all of which have resulted in an impact on the delivery of propane and heating fuel in New Jersey and could result in a threat to public health and safety. The emergency is limited to the following:

**Type of Operation:** Delivery of propane and heating fuels to residential and commercial establishments.

**Effective Date:** January 5, 2018

**Termination Date:** January 16, 2018

**Type of Exemption and Special Conditions:**

- Restriction of the number of hours that a driver of a commercial motor carrier may drive on duty in 7/8 consecutive days without taking 34 or more consecutive hours off-duty. The requirements of 11 hours driving, 14 hours on duty, is waived as well, provided a driver who informs a motor carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given a minimum of 10 consecutive off-duty hours before the driver may return to service.
- Limited to operators of vehicles making propane and heating fuel deliveries within the State of New Jersey.
- All regulations pertaining to Commercial Driver License requirements, Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing requirements and Financial Responsibility requirements remain in force and effect for all motor carriers and drivers.
- Motor Carriers that have an Out-of-State Service Order in effect, or a suspension or revocation of a New Jersey State Certificate as a motor carrier of property, are not eligible to take advantage of the relief from the regulations that this order provides.

**Date:** January 5, 2018

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