# STATE OF MINNESOTA

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**



### **Emergency Executive Order 15-04**

## Providing for Relief from Regulations to Certain Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating in Minnesota

**I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota**, by virtue of the power invested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, extreme winter weather conditions have caused freezing of septic systems over much of Minnesota:

Whereas, it is urgent that immediate action be taken to prevent danger to public health and to avoid further damage to septic systems;

Whereas, the seasonal load restrictions, as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.87, are scheduled to go in effect on March 11, 2015 in the south, southeast, and metro frost zones; and will go into effect in the northern portion of the state in the near future; and

Whereas, these seasonal load restrictions will impair the removal of sewage from septic systems and increase the harm caused by leakage and rupture of septic systems.

#### Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. A state of emergency exists in Minnesota, and that vehicles used to pump and/or transport sewage from septic systems be exempted from the seasonal load restrictions on local and state highways and streets, imposed in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.87, while responding to the emergency.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance. This order shall remain in effect until June 1, 2015.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

Mark Dayton

Governor

Filed According to Law

Steve Simon

Secretary of State

