

**EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 98-09
PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO
MOTOR CARRIERS OPERATING IN MINNESOTA**

I, ARNE H. CARLSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Emergency Executive Order:

WHEREAS, recent severe storms in Iowa have significantly impacted the communities located throughout that state; and

WHEREAS, this crisis has resulted in widespread power outages within the public infrastructure of Iowa, as well as to individual private homes, farms and businesses; and

WHEREAS, it is urgent that as the crisis continues and relief efforts commence that action be taken immediately to further protect the health and safety of Iowa citizens; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of interstate cooperation, emergency assistance of motor carriers is needed to transport utility supplies and materials across Minnesota into stricken areas throughout the state of Iowa; and

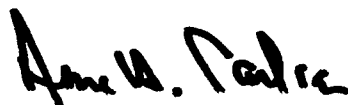
WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared in Iowa;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. A state of emergency exists in Iowa that requires relief from the motor carrier registration and fuel trip permit and fee requirements incorporated in Minnesota Statutes, section 168.197, subd. 17, and section 296.17, subd. 17, for those carriers that are assisting with the transportation of utility supplies and materials required during crisis recovery.
2. Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve motor carriers or their drivers from other applicable laws or regulations except where relief is provided by proper authority.
3. The commissioner of the department of public safety is directed to coordinate with affected state agencies for the administration and enforcement of this Order.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until July 11, 1998, or it is rescinded by proper authority, for those carriers providing direct assistance to the emergency relief effort. Direct assistance to the emergency relief effort terminates when a commercial vehicle is used to transport cargo not destined for and dedicated to the relief effort.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this first day of July, 1998.



ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

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JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State

