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## COLONEL ROBERT P. HODGES DEPUTY SECRETARY

## State of Louisiana

Department of Public Safety and Corrections Public Safety Services

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Pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 390.23 and LA R.S. 32:1504 and/or LA R.S. 32:1711 ET SEQ., or regulation(s) adopted pursuant to LA R.S. 32:1714; Colonel Robert P. Hodges, Superintendent Louisiana State Police and Deputy Secretary Department of Public Safety, has declared a local emergency exists which justifies certain exemptions from Parts 390 through 399 of Title 49 (Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations). Such emergency declaration is in response to the severe weather conditions in the State of Louisiana.

Declaration of this emergency provides relief from Title 49, CFR, Part 395.3 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for motor carriers in Louisiana providing direct assistance to the disaster relief in the State of Louisiana. This includes, but is not limited to, power grid repairs, delivery of groceries, fuel, propane, and other essential products.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as an exemption from the Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing Requirements of Title 49, CFR, Parts 40 and 382; Commercial Drivers License requirements of Title 49, CFR, Part 383; the Financial Responsibility requirements in Title 49, CFR, Part 387 and the Hazardous Material Transportation Regulations of Title 49, CFR, Parts 107 (Subpart G), 171, 172, 173, 177, 178, and 180; or the applicable State of Louisiana size, weight, or traffic safety regulations.

Motor carriers that have an Out-of-Service Order in effect cannot take advantage of the relief from the regulations that this declaration provides under Title 49, CFR, Part 390.23.

Consistent with Title 49, CFR, Part 390.23, the emergency declaration will take effect at 12:01 a.m., January 20, 2025, and will remain in effect for the duration of the emergency (as defined in Title 49, CFR, Part 390.5), ending at 11:59 p.m., February 2, 2025, whichever is less.

Colonel Robert P. Hodges

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