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TO: All Enforcement Agencies

SUBJECT: IRP Update Regarding Emergency Declarations

In response to continued severe weather conditions, the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has extended the State Emergency Declarations for the eastern, mid-west, and western regions of the country **through March 15, 2014**. These regional declarations result in the temporary suspension of certain federal safety regulations, including Hours of Service, for motor carriers and drivers who are engaged in specific aspects of the emergency relief effort. **Drivers who operate a vehicle under a declaration must have a copy of the declaration in their possession.** You can find additional information about these regional declarations at www.fmcsa.dot.gov.

Also, some states continue to issue exemptions related to the transportation of supplies in response to emergency relief efforts. You can find current information at www.irponline.org (select "Publications" then "Notifications") and on each state's website.

Please share this information with appropriate staff, including all road patrol enforcement. Thank you.

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