



May 16, 2022

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### **FMCSA Expands National HOS Waiver to Include All Motor and Heating Fuel *Amends Waiver to Cover all Deliveries***

*From EMA*

At EMA's request, the FMCSA is expanding the current nationwide CDL driver hour of service (HOS) waiver (49 CFR 395.3) authorized under the March 13, 2020 presidential declaration of national emergency to include both heating oil and propane. The amended emergency declaration also expands the scope and use of the of the HOS waiver to include all deliveries of gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, ethyl alcohol, heating oil, propane and natural gas. The FMCSA said the expansion to all deliveries of covered fuels is due to the impact COVID-19 has had on the nationwide driver shortage. Moreover, energy marketers are not required to have drivers out due to COVID-19 related illness for the HOS to apply. Instead, it is enough that COVID-19 has caused a driver shortage throughout the industry for the waiver to apply to all energy marketers for all deliveries of the covered fuels. The current waiver is still set to expire on May 31, 2022. EMA requested the expansion after receiving reports of diesel shortages and of heating fuel shortages from heating oil and propane dealers.

It is also highly likely that an extended version of the waiver will be released prior to May 31, 2022.

Please [click here](#) to read the waiver.

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### **VPCMA Scholarship Applications Due May 31**

Applications are now being accepted for the VPCMA 2022 Scholarship Program. This program is open to VPCMA members, their employees, and the children of VPCMA member company employees. Awards are made after review by the Association's scholarship committee, which considers need as well as academic achievement in their evaluations. Recipients must be high school graduates by June of this year and attend a post secondary institution of higher education in the fall of 2022. You can view the [application here](#). Complete applications must be received by May 31. You may also distribute or post [this flyer](#) for your employees.

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### **Save the Date**

VPCMA 74th Annual Meeting

September 25-27, 2022  
The Greenbrier Resort  
White Sulphur Springs, WV

Registration to open July 1.