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## Regional Hours of Service Waiver Extension and Modification for Heating and Transportation Fuels From EMA

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has granted an extension AND modification of the January 10 multistate Hours of Service (HOS) waiver for heating fuels, including heating oil, propane, and natural gas. The extension of the regional waiver for heating fuels now will be in effect through **February 15, 2025**, or the end of the emergency, whichever is earlier. The modification also includes the addition of GASOLINE and DIESEL FUEL to the waiver and the end of the HOS waiver in nine States.

The original regional waiver, which was set to expire on January 31, 2025, included the 48 lower states and the District of Columbia, and was based on distribution issues caused by the ongoing extreme cold weather event. FMCSA's HOS waiver was for direct assistance in interstate transportation of heating fuels incident to the immediate restoration of essential supplies or services. The modified waiver now adds gasoline and diesel fuel, effective immediately. However, based on FMCSA's extension and modification, after January 31, 2025, the HOS waiver will not apply in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska and Ohio.

Important: The FMCSA waiver covers interstate shipment of heating fuels, gasoline and diesel fuel in and out of the jurisdictions listed in the waiver declaration.

Important: Further, FMCSA's HOS waiver does not cover intrastate only shipments (deliveries that stay within the boundaries of a single state). State governors must issue waivers for intrastate shipments within their boundaries. All the state emergency declarations can be viewed on <a href="https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/emergency-declarations">https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/emergency-declarations</a>. Click here to review and download FMCSA's HOS waiver.

Sincerely,

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