

## D 011 05

### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### **Concerning the Statewide Disaster Emergency Due to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and Extending and Amending Executive Orders D 008 05, D 009 05 and D 010 05**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, and in particular Article IV, Section 5 of the Colorado Constitution, and Sections 24-32-2100 *et seq.*, and 23-30-308 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, I, Bill Owens, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order declaring that the state of disaster emergency caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita continues to exist.

1. Background & Need.

Hurricane Katrina caused an emergency of national scope within the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. I issued the following Executive Orders to respond to this disaster emergency. On September 1, 2005, I issued Executive Order D 008 05 calling certain elements of the Colorado National Guard to active duty to assist with the emergency response efforts related to Hurricane Katrina. On September 3, 2005, I issued Executive Order D 009 05 declaring a disaster emergency due to the occurrence of Hurricane Katrina and suspending certain provisions of state regulatory statutes to respond to the disaster emergency created by Hurricane Katrina. On September 3, 2005, I also issued Executive Order D 010 05 directing state agencies to prepare temporary housing for evacuees displaced by Hurricane Katrina. Since September 1, 2005, the effects Hurricane Katrina have persisted causing a continued need for relief effort within the State of Colorado.

More recently, Hurricane Rita caused a disaster emergency within the states of Texas and Louisiana. The series of hurricanes in the Gulf Coast Region continues to cause a disaster emergency in several states. A continued need for relief efforts within the State of Colorado is necessary. Accordingly, all directives set forth in Executive Orders D 008 05, D 009 05 and D 010 05 shall apply to Hurricane Rita.

2. Mission and Scope.

- A. I hereby amend Executive Orders D 008 05, D 009 05 and D 010 05 to include Hurricane Rita.

B. I find that a state of disaster emergency continues to exist due to Hurricane Katrina. I hereby amend Executive Orders D 008 05, D 009 05 and D 010 05 and order that each of my directives stated in those orders continue.

3. Duration.

This Executive Order shall expire thirty (30) days from the date of its execution unless extended by Executive Order.

GIVEN under my hand and  
the Executive Seal of the  
State of Colorado this 29<sup>th</sup>  
day of September 2005.

Bill Owens  
Governor