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OFFICIAL ORDER NO. 107640

SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY FOR DAMAGE RELIEF CAUSED BY DROUGHT, SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TRANSPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, Kentucky has experienced an exceptional and unseasonable outbreak of drought conditions, caused by higher than normal temperatures and limited rainfall, and with forecasting predicting this trend to continue into the foreseeable future;

WHEREAS, these drought conditions are supported by the Palmer Drought Index and the Crop Moisture Index, that substantial areas of the Commonwealth are now in moderate to extreme conditions;

WHEREAS, due to the drought conditions suffered by the Commonwealth, there has been a significant impact upon the agricultural community. It is anticipated that this impact will continue into the foreseeable future impacting hay and forage production and thus necessitating the need for transport of such products into drought affected areas; and

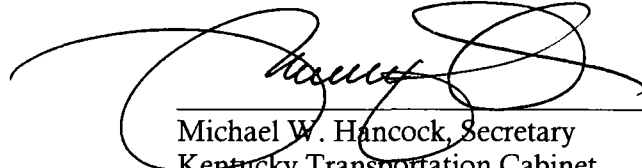
WHEREAS, KRS 189.270 and 601 KAR 1:018 impose standards and establish procedures for the issuance of permits for overweight and/or overdimensional vehicles; and

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by virtue of KRS 281.730, and by virtue of the DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY issued by Governor Beshear on June 28, 2012, I hereby declare:

1. That conditions exist further requiring a waiver of stopping at all weigh stations for the transporters of agricultural products responding to the affected areas from out of state;
2. That commercial vehicles providing relief as set forth herein shall be exempt from permit fees for overweight/overdimensional vehicles;



3. That the IRP Registration Requirements for vehicle providing relief services and relief supplies to the affected areas shall be waived;
4. That all other safety requirements shall remain in full force and effect;
5. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until 12:01 AM EST, April 1, 2013.



Michael W. Hancock, Secretary
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

Done this 30th day of July, 2012 at Frankfort, Kentucky

Approved as to form and legality:



Office of Legal Services