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Governor Walz Issues Emergency Executive Order Exempting Certain Motor Carriers and Drivers from Regulations

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[ST. PAUL, MN] – Governor Tim Walz today signed emergency Executive Order 21-10 to provide regulatory relief for septic system service companies.

Executive Order 21-10 exempts septic tank trucks from seasonal load restrictions on Minnesota roads. With more Minnesotans staying at home due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including teleworking and engaging in distance learning, many residential septic systems are failing to keep up with increased usage. In addition, extreme winter conditions, specifically sub-zero temperatures beginning in early February and lasting several weeks, have caused freezing of septic systems over much of Minnesota. Septic service companies have been receiving a high volume of calls from homeowners in need of emergency pumping services and lifting these restrictions will allow them to meet the increased demand.

This executive order is effective immediately.

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