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INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION PLAN / INTERNATIONAL FUEL TAX AGREEMENT CHANGES

The Governor of South Carolina has declared a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 virus until further notice. As a result, commercial vehicles engaged in interstate commerce traveling in or through the State of South Carolina, with registrations that expire March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 will be valid until July 1, 2020. The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV) respectfully requests that law enforcement not cite commercial motor vehicles with an expired cab card. The SCDMV strongly recommends retaining a copy of this letter with the expired cab card to produce for any law enforcement officer in any jurisdiction who may require it.

Additionally, the SCDMV is temporarily waiving International Registration Plan (IRP) and International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) requirements for out-of-state vehicles provided, however, that the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The driver of any such vehicle to be operated is properly licensed or operating under a waiver issued by the carrier's base jurisdiction.
2. Motor carriers and/or drivers currently subject to out-of-service orders are not eligible for the exemption until the order expires or the motor carrier or driver has met the condition for its rescission.
3. The motor vehicle to be operated is properly licensed and registered or operating under a waiver in this or any other state, and the motor vehicle satisfies all motor vehicle insurance requirements or provisions of its state of registration. Proof of insurance must be carried in the cab of the motor vehicle.

This waiver shall not be construed to allow any vehicle to operate in the state of South Carolina without a valid vehicle registration and insurance as required by the base state. Additionally, carriers are required to maintain compliance with all driver, owner, vehicle and carrier compliance requirements that may fall outside this waiver or any other rule, statute or requirement. The waiver shall not apply to motor carriers or drivers that are currently subject to state or federal out-of-service orders.

This waiver shall remain in effect or until 11:59 pm on June 30, 2020. Please direct any questions to the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Motor Carrier Services Division, at 803-896-3870.

Regards,

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