



STATE *of* NEBRASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
LINCOLN

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 17-02

EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY KANSAS FIRES

WHEREAS, The Governors of Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, and Texas have issued disaster declarations in their states due to recent and ongoing wildfires; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Kansas has issued an Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency in Kansas and seeking regional relief due to the loss of life, livestock, infrastructure assets and other property; and

WHEREAS, agricultural producers are requesting assistance in moving livestock from fire-impacted areas and are also requesting donations of hay, feed, fencing materials, and other supplies which will require the operation of motor carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles for the purpose of providing direct assistance to impacted areas in the State of Kansas;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the emergency management laws of the State of Nebraska, I hereby direct and order as follows:

1. This order applies to motor carriers directly participating in fire relief efforts;
2. In conjunction with the waiver issued by the Governor of Kansas, the requirements contained in the federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR Parts 390-399) are hereby suspended through the duration of the motor carrier's assistance in the disaster relief effort, effective March 10, 2017, through the effective date of this order;
3. The length and weight hauling requirements of federal and state law are also hereby suspended through the duration of the motor carrier's assistance in the disaster relief effort;

4. The requirements for trip permits pertaining to vehicle registrations, set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. §60-3,198 and for fuel tax permit requirements, set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. §66-1,114 are hereby suspended through the duration of the motor carrier's assistance in the disaster relief effort;
5. All other applicable state and federal laws and regulations shall apply to motor carriers and vehicles assisting in the disaster relief effort; and
6. This Executive Order shall remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 23, 2017.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed on this 13th day of April, 2017.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Pete Ricketts', written over a horizontal line.

Pete Ricketts, Governor
State of Nebraska

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'John A. Gale', written over a horizontal line.

John A. Gale, Secretary of State
State of Nebraska