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## State of Illinois Emergency Waiver of IFTA Registration Regarding Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton October 11, 2024

The State of Illinois understands the importance of rapid response to state and national declarations of emergencies. Because of official declarations of disaster in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina resulting from the hurricanes and their destructive paths through the southeastern region of the United States, the Illinois Department of Revenue, by way of this notice, will temporarily waive International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) registration and motor fuel use tax (MFUT) single trip permitting for qualified vehicles traveling into or through Illinois responding specifically to power, communications, utilities, and infrastructure restoration to areas or events that have been declared as either a national emergency by the President of the United States or a state of emergency as declared by any Governor of an IFTA jurisdiction. Additionally, Illinois will also waive IFTA-required credentials and MFUT single trip permits to qualified motor vehicles specifically delivering goods, services, or foods necessary for sustaining life and livestock in those areas covered in the declaration.

This waiver is in effect from the time of such official declaration until thirty (30) days after such declaration. Effective October 11, 2024 through November 10, 2024, as a result of devastation inflicted by Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton, operators of qualified vehicles in Illinois shall not be ticketed or otherwise penalized for non-registration of IFTA/MFUT if the operator of the vehicle can provide proof that the destination of the vehicle is to a point within the emergency/disaster area(s), or the vehicle's last destination was within the declared area and is returning to or through Illinois from providing essential goods and services to the declared area(s).

**Beginning with the 31**<sup>st</sup> day, unless this emergency waiver has been rescinded or extended by the Illinois Department of Revenue, motor carriers taking advantage of this waiver must properly register for IFTA or obtain single trip permits for continued travel into or through Illinois.

This waiver, pursuant to 35 ILCS 505/13a.4 and 13a.5, is for IFTA and MFUT credentialing only and is in effect for thirty (30) days from the date of declaration or until such time it is officially rescinded or extended by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

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Please post this temporary waiver of IFTA registration appropriately for notification to the IFTA community. For additional information, please visit our web site at <a href="tax.illinois.gov">tax.illinois.gov</a>.