The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has extended their emergency declaration relaxing hours of service rules for a third time. The emergency declaration is now in effect through August 14th.

As we have previously reported, on March 13th, FMCSA issued an emergency declaration that suspended hours of service (HOS) regulations for operators of commercial motor vehicles that are providing emergency relief through direct assistance to support state and local efforts to combat the COVID-19 outbreak.

The current declaration extension is modified to define direct assistance as limited to the transportation of (1) livestock and livestock feed; (2) medical supplies and equipment relating to the testing, diagnosis and treatment of COVID-19; and (3) supplies and equipment necessary for community safety, sanitation, and prevention of community transmission of COVID-10 such as masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, soap and disinfectants.

You can read the full the FMCSA emergency declaration HERE.