



South Carolina
Department of Transportation

December 20, 2007

Mr. Robert Lee
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
South Carolina Division
1835 Assembly Street
Room 1270
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: Size and Weight Restrictions Waiver

Dear Mr. Lee:

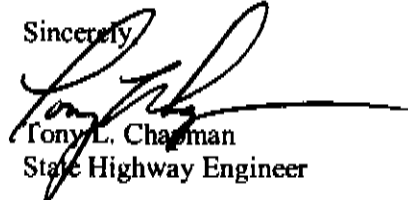
In response to State Commissioner of Agriculture Hugh Weather's request for emergency transportation and delivery of hay to livestock in drought stricken areas of South Carolina, the State of South Carolina is waiving permit fees and state regulated restrictions on all Interstate, US, SC and secondary routes for size, height, width and weight limits, along with any other restrictions that preclude or limit the rapid delivery of hay being transported. This waiver does not apply to posted roads and bridges.

This waiver allows continuous travel on all routes with the maximum dimensions of 12' wide, 13'6" high and 90,000 lbs gross weight on 5 or more axles.

Any dimensions and/or weights that exceed the above, must obtain a fee exempt permit with defined routes of travel from the SC Oversize/Overweight Permit office. To order a permit, haulers may call (803) 737-6769 or, for after hour emergencies they may call (803) 206-9566.

This waiver is effective immediately and will remain in place until March 1, 2008.

Sincerely,



Tony L. Chapman
State Highway Engineer

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cc: Mark Sanford, Governor, State of South Carolina
Buck Limehouse, Secretary of Transportation, SCDOT
James Schweitzer, Executive Director, SCDPS
Hugh Weathers, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture
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