



GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO

Public Service Commission

October 9, 2017

TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. IX-2017 - RECIPROCITY OF LICENSES TO OPERATE COMMERCIAL TRANSPORT VEHICLES

Receive a cordial greeting from all those who work in the Public Service Commission (PSC). Due to the passage of Hurricane Maria, the Government of Puerto Rico is in a state of emergency. The general destruction of the State's infrastructure and the urgency of the transport of essential goods have created the interest of operators from the United States of America to offer their services throughout Puerto Rico. Generally, the operators who have offered their services have the Commercial Driver License (CDL) of their home State. CDL certification authorizes the operator to drive a certain type of vehicle, depending on its Class and the additional endorsements obtained.

Therefore, and because of the emergency faced after the passage of Hurricane Maria, I ORDER that hereafter the operation in Puerto Rico of drivers with a valid CDL issued by any State of the United States of America, in all its classes, is authorized. It will be the responsibility of the entity that contracts the service and, in the applicable cases, the owner of the cargo, as well as the driver, to ensure that it has the corresponding Class to operate the type of commercial motor vehicle equivalent to its authorization in Puerto Rico. In addition, persons operating under this Executive Order are responsible for complying with all state and federal security parameters. The reciprocity hereby decreed shall remain in effect until the end of the emergency, as decreed by our Governor, Hon. Ricardo Rosselló Nevares.

All natural and legal person **BE WARNED** that the PSC regulates the rates for cargo haulage, which are still in effect, including the provisional tariffs established in Executive Order No. VII-2017. Failure to comply with these fees is subject to administrative fines of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) per infraction.

Cordially,

Lcdo. Luis D. García Fraga
Chairman
Public Service Commission

