WHEREAS, as a result of Hurricane Hugo, it is estimated that 36% of the State's 12.2 million acres of forested land received damage, causing an immediate loss to the forest products industry; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this destruction of our timberland, an emergency continues to exist making it necessary to salvage and use as much of the damaged timber as possible in the shortest length of time possible so as to minimize total waste and rottage of this valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expedite the delivery of this perishable natural resource to consuming manufacturers both inside and outside the state of South Carolina,

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby direct the South Carolina Department of Highways and Public Transportation to continue its moratorium for sixty (60) days on the vehicle gross weight of vehicles set forth in Section 56-5-4140. However, the overall gross vehicle weight shall not exceed ninety thousand
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(90,000) pounds and will include a maximum single axle weight not to exceed twenty thousand (20,000) pounds and a maximum tandem axle weight not to exceed forty thousand (40,000) pounds. This moratorium is for vehicles transporting trees and by-products from the devastation caused by Hurricane Hugo.

This Order shall be effective immediately for a period of sixty (60) days. If warranted this Order may be extended if it is deemed that the effort to salvage timbers needs to continue.


Governor

CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, JR.

ATTEST:

JOHN T. CAMPBELL
SECRETARY OF STATE