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STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Executive Order No. 11a-2009

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11-2009 TO INCLUDE ALL FARM VEHICLES CARRYING HARVESTED BEETS IN THE ALLOWANCE FOR A 30 PERCENT WEIGHT TOLERANCE ON THEIR FARM VEHICLES DUE TO AN EARLY WINTER STORM, effective until November 13, 2009

WHEREAS, in addition to those areas referenced in Executive Order 11-2009 (attached), sugar beet growers across eastern Montana, have experienced early winter storm conditions including extensive precipitation and freezing temperatures.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian Schweitzer, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws and the Constitution of the State of Montana, do hereby extend the exemption provided in Executive Order No. 11-2009 to all farm vehicles carrying harvested beets across eastern Montana from the 20% limits of § 61-10-144, MCA, and authorize them to operate their vehicles without incurring excess weight penalties under § 61-10-145, MCA, if the total gross weight of the farm vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed allowable weight limitations by more than 30% for each axle. This exemption shall be in effect through November 13, 2009. All other applicable laws and regulations remain in effect. The Conditions of Exemption, submitted to me by Director Lynch of the Department of Transportation, are attached to this Executive Order and shall apply to this Order.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this day of Octobec, 2009.

BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor

ATTEST:

INDA MCCULLOCH, Secretary of State