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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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I, H. James Boice, Acting Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Connecticut, hereby declare under the authority vested in me, pursuant to Section 13b-26 (f) of the Connecticut General Statutes, that an emergency situation exists relative to the physical condition of the I-95 bridge over the Housatonic River (Bridge No. 00135) in Stratford/Milford (Moses Wheeler Bridge).

Based on recent investigations of the bridge, areas of steel members are significantly deteriorated and the necessary repairs are beyond the capacity of the Department's Maintenance forces.

Therefore, I intend to employ, in any manner, such assistance as may be required to repair this structure in order to provide safe conditions and correct the emergency I have so declared.

Dated this 17th day of March 2008, at Newington, Connecticut.



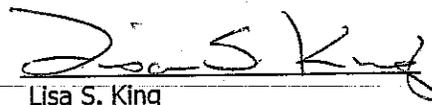
H. James Boice
ACTING COMMISSIONER

State of Connecticut

ss: Newington

County of Hartford

On this, the 17th day of March 2008, before me, Lisa S. King, the undersigned, personally appeared, H. James Boice, Acting Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Connecticut, known to me to be the person described in the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same in capacity therein and for the purpose therein contained.



Lisa S. King
Notary Public

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Notary Public
Connecticut
My Commission Expires June 30, 2011

Moses Wheeler Bridge Emergency Declarations

I-95 Bridge over the Housatonic River (Bridge No. 00135) in Stratford/Milford

An Emergency Declaration (ED) was issued in March 2007 for the repair of the concrete bridge deck and steel members that were significantly deteriorated. The focus of this work was primarily the deck but a few critical steel repairs were included.

Following the aforementioned ED, a subsequent bridge inspection was done from November 2007 to January 2008, updating information and identifying the areas of steel that are continuing to deteriorate at rapid pace. The section loss findings of this most recent inspection resulted in the need to review the analysis calculations and determined the need for additional steel repairs, along with taking preventive action in the worst areas to try to slow the rate of deterioration.

According to the Federal National Bridge Inventory rating system that uses a scale of 9-0 (9 being the best), the steel superstructure condition is rated "3", which equated to "Serious" condition. In order to keep the steel condition from being lowered to a "2", "Critical", it is necessary to complete the steel repairs identified since the last ED.

Emergency Declaration
 Bridge No. 00135
 I-95 over the Housatonic River (Moses Wheeler Bridge)
 Stratford/Milford, Connecticut

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