



MARITIME EXCHANGE
for the Delaware River and Bay

ALERT

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TO: Maritime Exchange Members

On March 22, 2020, the City of Philadelphia released its [second emergency order](#) prohibiting non-essential businesses from operating (unless remotely) and persons from congregating (i.e., shelter in place), effective Monday, March 23, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.. The order exempts “[life-sustaining businesses](#)” as defined by the governor of Pennsylvania in his [March 19, 2020](#) order, including trade and transportation.

Also on March 22, 2020, Delaware Governor Carney issued the fourth and fifth modifications to his original state of emergency declaration. Both are effective as of 8:00 a.m., on Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

The [fourth modification](#), among other provisions, defines essential and non-essential workers, including:

- Employees supporting or enabling transportation functions, including dispatchers, maintenance and repair technicians, warehouse workers, truck stop and rest area workers, and workers that maintain and inspect infrastructure (including those that require cross-border travel).
- Employees of firms providing services that enable logistics operations, including cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use.
- Maritime transportation workers - port workers, mariners, equipment operators.
- Truck drivers.
- Manufacturers and distributors (to include service centers and related operations) of packaging materials, pallets, crates, containers, and other supplies needed to support manufacturing, packaging staging and distribution operations.
- Employees who repair and maintain vehicles, aircraft, rail, equipment, marine vessels, and the equipment and infrastructure that enables operations that encompass movement of cargo and passengers.

The [fifth modification](#) orders residents to shelter in place at their homes or places of residence. The modification allows travel for essential activities, including the performance of work permitted by the fourth modification.

As always, please feel free to contact the [Exchange](#) with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have.

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