WHEREAS the State of Alabama has experienced high winds and storm conditions that have left hundreds of thousands of Alabama homes and businesses without power;

WHEREAS work crews will have to work many hours to restore power;

WHEREAS power restoration crews will be required from other states to assist in power restoration;

WHEREAS these conditions threaten public health and safety, and endanger public property, and will only worsen if power is not quickly restored; and

WHEREAS these conditions, by reason of their magnitude, are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single county, city and county, or city, and will require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of the State of Alabama, pursuant to the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, Ala. Code § 31-9-1 et seq. (1975), do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Alabama. Pursuant to 49 CFR 390.23, this declaration of a State of Emergency facilitates a waiver of certain regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation-Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), including, but not limited to, 49 CFR Part 395 (Hours of Service of Drivers) as it relates to providing electrical line repair and other equipment and services necessary to restore power to affected homes, businesses, government offices and facilities, and communities, which shall end after the duration of the motor carrier’s or driver’s direct assistance in providing emergency relief, or 30 days from the initial declaration of emergency, unless earlier terminated, or as otherwise specified in the FMCSA’s regulations, whichever is earlier. Motor carriers that have an Out-of-Service Order in effect may not take advantage of the relief from regulation that this declaration provides under 39 CFR 390.23.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this 29th day of June, 2018.

Kay Ivey
Governor

ATTEST:

John H. Merrill
Secretary of State