# **COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF STATE PATROL RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE PERMITTING, ROUTING & TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS AND NUCLEAR MATERIALS AND THE INTRASTATE TRANSPORTATION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IN THE STATE OF COLORADO 8 CCR 1507-25**

## STATEMENT OF BASIS, STATUTORY AUTHORITY, AND PURPOSE

Under §42-20-108 (1) and (2), CRS, the Chief of the Colorado State Patrol has the authority to promulgate rules and regulations for the permitting, routing, and safe transportation of hazardous materials by motor vehicles within Colorado. Under §§42-20-403, 42-20-504, and 42-20-508, CRS, the Chief of the CSP has the authority to promulgate rules and regulations for the permitting, routing, and the safe transportation of nuclear materials by motor vehicles within the state of Colorado. Under §42-20-108.5, CRS, the Chief of the Colorado State Patrol is also authorized to adopt rules and regulations that exempt agricultural products from the hazardous rules.

### **Amendments proposed to 8 CCR 1507-25 include:**

* Document formatting adjustments that do not affect the content or interpretation of these rules have been made throughout the document to comply with the state accessibility standards required under Section 24-34-802, CRS. Examples of these adjustments include changing capitalized text to mixed-case or lower-case text, removing underlined text, increasing font size, using the word “section” instead of the section symbol, enabling hyperlinked text, and adjusting the document’s paragraph structure to support electronic bookmarking for use with electronic reading software.
* Insertion of a Table of Contents, facilitating document navigation.
* Updating East-West Hazardous Materials Approved Routes listed in HMR 4.13.2 to include a new hazardous materials route for the City of Delta, Confluence Drive, between US 50 Milepost 69.8 and US 50 Milepost 72. Adopting this new route includes renumbering the existing approved routes within HMR 4.13.2 so the new route can be numbered as HMR 4.13.2.19 and follow the existing pattern set forth for listing routes within the rules.
* Updating references to the Colorado Revised Statutes, the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Inspector Criteria, CVSA OOS Criteria, CVSA Bylaws, and FMCSRs to maintain consistency with controlling and authorizing legal authorities.
* Revising verbiage throughout the rules to improve overall readability and message clarity and
* Correcting minor errors in grammar, editing, spelling, formatting, and updating references to resources.

The General Assembly has declared that the permitting, routing, and transporting of hazardous and nuclear materials is a matter of statewide interest and concern. The absence of rules to carry out the purpose of the statutes applicable to it is contrary to the state's public health, peace, safety, and welfare. For these reasons, it is necessary that these rules, including the revisions proposed, are adopted.