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EMERGENCY RULE

Under the authority granted to the Commissioner of Agriculture as the State's chief oil inspector, and due to recent events creating gasoline supply disruptions, the Commissioner has determined that an emergency Rule is hereby necessary to facilitate the replacement of gasoline supplies in Georgia.

Georgia Rule 40-20-1-.01 entitled "Standards for Petroleum Products" requires the use of gasoline meeting Class C-3 volatility specifications between September 17 and October 31 for the State of Georgia. Based on information collected regarding the Colonial Pipeline operational disruptions in the State of Alabama, the Georgia Department of Agriculture has determined that an Emergency Rule allowing regulated parties to supply gasoline meeting Class D-4 volatility specifications during this time period is necessary to ensure and protect the public welfare.

Therefore, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(b), the Georgia Department of Agriculture has adopted Emergency Rule 40-20-1-0.3-.01 entitled "Standards for Petroleum Products." The Emergency Rule is promulgated effective September 21, 2016, and will remain in effect until November 1, 2016, which is not longer than 120 days from the effective date.