

Annual List of Rule-Making Activity
Rules Adopted January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016
Prepared by the Secretary of State, pursuant to 5 MRS, §8053-A, sub-§5

Agency name: **Maine Turnpike Authority**
Umbrella-Unit: **99-420**
Statutory authority: 23 MRS §1965(U)
Chapter number/title: **Ch. 2**, Regulations for the Installation of Logo Signs on the
Maine Turnpike
Filing number: **2016-121**
Effective date: 7/18/2016
Type of rule: Routine Technical
Emergency rule: No

Principal reason or purpose for rule:

Presently the MTA's logo rule only allows signs for destinations that can be accessed through a "Maine Turnpike Interchange". This rule amendment would allow locations that can only be accessed through interchanges on the interstate highway beyond the southern or northern limits of the Maine Turnpike to qualify for a logo sign on the Maine Turnpike if those locations would otherwise meet the requirements of the MTA logo rule.

This rule would also allow logos for off-Turnpike locations selling food and gas on the northbound side of the Turnpike north of mile marker 106 and the southbound side of the Turnpike south of mile marker six.

Basis statement / summary:

The amendment to the MTA 's existing logo sign rule was noticed for public comment by the Maine Secretary of State's office on March 30th, 2016, with a comment deadline of April 29th. No comments were received and the rule amendment was adopted by the Authority as proposed on May 26th.

The rule amendment allows locations that can only be accessed through interchanges on the interstate highway beyond the southern or northern limits of the Maine Turnpike to qualify for a logo sign on the Maine Turnpike if those locations would otherwise meet the requirements of the MTA logo rule. The amended rule also allows logos for off-turnpike locations selling food and gas on the northbound side of the turnpike north of mile marker 106 and the southbound side of the turnpike south of mile marker six.

Fiscal impact of rule:

The MTA does not anticipate any fiscal impact from adoption of this rule.