## EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION

## 6 CCR 1015-3, Emergency Medical Services

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## Findings Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-4-103(6)

In response to COVID-19, Governor Polis verbally declared a disaster emergency on March 10, 2020, and issued the corresponding Executive Order D 2020 003 on March 11, 2020. A wide array of actions have been taken to mitigate the effects of the pandemic, prevent further spread, and protect against overwhelming our health care resources. The risk of contamination posed by COVID-19 has necessitated closure of multiple businesses.

EMS providers require in person activities for certification and endorsement renewal, and licensed air ambulances seeking renewal are subject to in-person site visits. Therefore, the Executive Director finds that immediate adoption of these revisions is imperative to preserve the public health, safety and welfare, and that compliance with the normal rulemaking requirements of C.R.S.§ 24-4-103, would be contrary to the public interest.

Any renewal of the license, certification, and/or endorsement that may be completed online, and without any in person activities, shall not have an extended expiration date pursuant to this emergency rule and all requirements for renewal must be completed.