

EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Lt. Gov. Brian Dubie declared a home-heating fuel emergency, saying the state needs to begin preparing for worst-case winter scenarios. Governor Douglas has launched a new comprehensive and collaborative program to help Vermonters address increasing home heating, gasoline and food costs.

CREDIT LINES

The message heard by fuel dealers attending the VFDA Conference at Basin Harbor: get your credit lines in order now. The average sized company in Vermont (2 million gallons) sells 600 thousand gallons during first 8 weeks of the year. At current wholesale prices that means dealers need a line of credit of \$2.4 million dollars. VFDA is working with banks, the Douglas administration and the Vermont Economic Development Authority to come up with ways to help fuel dealers during this difficult time.

HAZMAT

VFDA's Montpelier office is the site of the new TSA fingerprinting center for Hazmat endorsement. After listening to numerous complaints about the delay in obtaining their hazmat endorsement, the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles decided to join nearly 40 other states in the TSA system. Drivers will now receive their endorsement in a matter of days, rather than months. The downside is that as of today there is only one location. VFDA is working with DMV, TSA and NEFI to create another Hazmat fingerprinting center in southern Vermont or western Massachusetts. If you have any questions about this new system contact VFDA.

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