Executive Order No. 2018-08

WHEREAS, inclement weather occurred on the January 17 and 18, 2018, to include snow, ice, freezing rain, and other hazardous weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing hazardous weather conditions, state government offices in the following counties opened on a delayed schedule, dismissed early, or closed to ensure the safety of state employees and the general public:

1. January 17, 2018:

Delayed: Edgefield.

Closed: Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Fairfield, Greenville, Lancaster, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, Saluda, Spartanburg, and Union.

Early Dismissal: Abbeville and York.

2. January 18, 2018:

Delayed: Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Dillon, Edgefield, Florence, Greenville, Lancaster, Laurens, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Newberry, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union and York.

Closed: Cherokee

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 8-11-57 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the undersigned may authorize leave with pay for affected state employees who are absent from work due to the closure of state offices for hazardous weather conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby authorize leave with pay for affected state employees who were absent from work as directed on January 17th and 18th 2018, as a result of the foregoing hazardous weather conditions. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 5th DAY OF FEBRURY, 2018.

HENRY MCMASTER Governor