



**MIJARES ANGOITIA
CORTES Y FUENTES**

GUIDELINES FOR ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES



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On April 6, 2020, the Mexican Health Ministry enacted in the Official Gazette of the Federation a decree which establishes technical guidelines for certain "essential" activities (the "Decree") mentioned in the decree published on March 31, 2020.

Therefore, the purpose of this Decree is to clarify certain activities that were considered "essential" and to establish technical guidelines for their operation during the health emergency.

Below please find a brief summary of the most relevant provisions of the Decree:

1. Term. The Decree will be legally binding since the day of its publication and it will remain in force until the health emergency it is declared to be concluded.

2. Activities whose suspension may have irreversible effects. For "activities whose suspension may have irreversible effects for its continuation", the following must be understood: steel, cement and glass production companies, as well as technology services that guarantee the continuity of computer systems in the public, private and social sectors.

The steel, cement and glass production companies will maintain a minimum activity that avoids irreversible effects in their operation. To do so, they must inform to the Mexican Economy Ministry, within a period not exceeding 24 hours from the publication of the Decree, the total number of employees essential for this purpose, via email to the following address: economia@economia.gob.mx (based on Annex 1 of the Decree).

3. Agreements with the Federal Government. Those steel, cement and glass production companies that have executed agreements with the Federal Government will continue activities that allow them to fulfill short-term commitments exclusively for the Dos Bocas, Tren Maya, Felipe Ángeles Airport, Transismic Corridor projects; as well as existing contracts considered essential for Petróleos Mexicanos and the Federal Electricity Commission.

4. Courier services. Regarding courier services, these include companies and electronic commerce platforms, provided they comply with the measures of healthy distance.

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5. Coal Mines. In relation to the coal mines, they will maintain a minimum activity that satisfies the demand of the Federal Electricity Commission. To do this, they must inform the Mexican Economy Ministry within a period not exceeding 24 hours from the publication of the Decree, the total number of employees essential for this purpose, via email to the following address: economia@economia.gob.mx (based on Annex 1 of the Decree).

The coal distribution companies will maintain their transport and logistics activities to satisfy the demand of the Federal Electricity Commission. To do this, they will employ a minimum number of workers for this purpose.

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