Commodities Covered Under the COVID-19 State of Emergency

A commodity is a good or service necessary for public consumption or use as a direct result of the particular facts and circumstances of the emergency. The commodity must be essential—meaning its consumption or use is critical to the maintenance of the public health, safety or welfare during the declared emergency.

At this time, essential commodities covered by Florida's price gouging law under the COVID-19 state of emergency declared by Governor Ron DeSantis on March 9, include:

- Protective masks used to protect you from others if you are sick
- Sanitizing and disinfecting supplies, such as hand sanitizer, gel, wipes, cleaning supplies for surface cleaning, and all commercial cleaning supplies
- All personal protective equipment (PPE), including gowns, booties, gloves and other protective gear

We will continue to monitor the situation and revise the above list as necessary. We will provide notice when the essential commodity list changes.

For more information about price gouging, click <u>here</u>. To report price gouging to the Florida Attorney General's Office online, visit <u>MyFloridaLegal.com</u>. To call the Attorney General's Price Gouging Hotline, dial 1(866) 9NO-SCAM (1-866-966-7226).

