Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520. Issued in Washington, DC on March 12, 1999

# Marie S. Savoy,

Director, Office of Information Technology and Support Systems, Federal Railroad Administration.

[FR Doc. 99–6544 Filed 3–17–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–06–P

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# Research and Development Programs Meeting Agenda

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides the agenda for a public meeting at which the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) will describe and discuss specific research and development projects.

**DATES AND TIMES:** As previously announced, NHTSA will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on March 18, 1999, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Clarion Inn, Detroit Metro Airport, 9191 Wickham Road, Romulus, Michigan.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice provides the agenda for the twenty-third in a series of public meetings to provide detailed information about NHTSA's research and development programs. This meeting will be held on March 18, 1999. The meeting was announced on February 22, 1999 (64 FR 8636). For additional information about the meeting, consult that announcement.

Starting at 1:30 p.m. and concluding by 5:00 p.m., NHTSA's Office of Research and Development will discuss the following topics:

 (1) Research and Development
Overview, (2) Industry Presentation on Analysis of Side Impact Test "Tipover,"
(3) Industry Presentation on Side Impact Dummy (WorldSID) Development, (4)
National Advanced Driving Simulator (NADS), (5) Intelligent Vehicle
Initiative, (6) Industry Presentation on Status of Alliance of Automobile
Manufacturers, and (7) discussion on format for future meetings.

NHTSA has based its decisions about the agenda, in part, on the suggestions it received in response to the announcement published February 22, 1999.

As announced on February 22, 1999, in the time remaining at the conclusion of the presentations, NHTSA will provide answers to questions on its research and development programs, where those questions have been submitted in writing to Raymond P. Owings, Ph.D., Associate Administrator for Research and Development, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, NRD–01, Washington, DC 20590. Fax number: 202–366–5930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita I. Gibbons, Staff Assistant, Office of Research and Development, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–366–4862. Fax number: 202–366–5930.

Issued: March 12, 1999.

#### **Raymond P. Owings**,

Associate Administrator for Research and Development. [FR Doc. 99–6598 Filed 3–17–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–59–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Research and Special Programs Administration

## Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Exemptions

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of applicants for exemptions.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. Each mode of transportation for which a particular exemption is requested is indicated by a number in the "Nature of Application" portion of the table below as follows: 1-Motor vehicle, 2-Rail freight, 3-Cargo vessel, 4-Cargo aircraft only, 5-Passenger-carrying aircraft.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 19, 1999.

ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: Records Center, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a selfaddressed stamped postcard showing the exemption application number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Copies of the applications (See Docket Number) are available for inspection at the New Docket Management Facility, PL-401, at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.

This notice of receipt of applications for new exemptions is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 12, 1999.

#### J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals,

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of examption thereof
12216-N	RSPA-1999- 5121	Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Fort Worth, TX.	49 CFR 172.102(SP-T)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of cer- tain hazardous materials in Specification IM 101 tanks equipped with bottom openings. (mode 2)
12217–N	RSPA-1999- 5120	Rescar Companies, Downers Grove, IL.	49 CFR 179.100–4(a), 179.200–4(a).	To authorize the transportation of various hazardous materials in tank car tanks equipped with thinner removable inspection port covers. (mode 2)
12220–N	RSPA-1999- 5158	d/b/a Laird Farms, Water- loo, NY.	49 CFR 174.67 (i) & (j)	To authorize railcars to remain attached with an al- ternative closure device when positioned in a se- cured state for product transfer. (mode 2)

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of examption thereof
12221–N	RSPA-1999- 5160	Advanced Technology Materials, Inc., Dan- bury, CT.	49 CFR 173.301, 173.302, 173.304, 173.315, 173.34.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of Divi- sion 2.1 and 2.3 gas molecules filled at sub-at- mospheric pressure and packaged as a solid in non-DOT specification cylinders. (mode 1)
12222–N	RSPA-1999- 5162	iSi GmbH, Vienna, AU	49 CFR 173.304(a)(2)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of DOT 39 Specification cylinders, containing a Division 2.2 gas, with a filling density which exceeds those presently authorized. (modes 1, 2, 3, 4)
12228–N	RSPA-1999- 5159	E.I. DuPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, DE.	49 CFR 173.315(a)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of cer- tain non-DOT specification IMO Type 5 portable tanks, each mounted in an ISO frame, containing certain compressed gases classed in Division 2.1 and 2.2. (modes 1, 2, 3)
12230–N	RSPA-1999- 5195	Chemtran Services, USA, Inc., Houston, TX.	49 CFR 172.203, 172.400, 172.402, 172.504, 173.150, 173.152, 173.153, 173.154, 173.201, 173.202, 173.203, 173.211, 173.213, 173.25, 175.3.	To authorize the manufacture, mark, and sell of spe- cially designed combination packagings without re- quired labels, markings, placards, or segregation for use in transporting various classes of haz- ardous materials. (modes 1, 2, 3, 4)

—Continued	NEW EXEMPTIONS—(
—Continued	NEW EXEMPTIONS—(

[FR Doc. 99–6599 Filed 3–17–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–60–M

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Research and Special Programs Administration

## Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Modification of Exemption

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** List of applications for modifications of exemptions.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's

Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Part 107, Subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. This notice is abbreviated to expedite docketing and public notice. Because the sections affected, modes of transportation, and the nature of application have been shown in earlier Federal Register publications, they are not repeated here. Requests for modifications of exemptions (e.g. to provide for additional hazardous materials, packaging design changes, additional mode of transportation, etc.) are described in footnotes to the application number. Application numbers with suffix "M" denote a modification request. These

applications have been separated from the new applications for exemptions to facilitate processing.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 2, 1999.

ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: Records Center, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a selfaddressed stamped postcard showing the exemption number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC.

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Modification of exemption
8723–M		Buckley Powder Company, Englewood, CO (See Footnote 1)	8723
10066–M		Conax Florida Corporation, St. Petersburg, FL (See Footnote 2)	10066
10429–M		HCI USA Distribution Companies Incorporated, Santa Ana, CA (See Footnote 3)	10429
10480–M		Gardner Cryogenics, Lehigh Valley, PA (See Footnote 4)	10480
		The Procter & Gamble Company, Cincinnati, OH (See Footnote 5)	10921
11379–M		TRW Vehicle Safety Systems Inc., Washington, MI (See Footnote 6)	11379
11526–M		BOC Gases, Murray Hill, NJ (See Footnote 7)	11526
12122–M		Atlantic Research Corporation, Auto Products Group, Knoxville, TN (See Footnote 8).	12122
12200–M	RSPA-1998-4953	Autoliv ASP, Inc., Ogden, UT (See Footnote 9)	12200
12212–M	RSPA-1999-5075	Daniel P. Dupuis, Windsor Locks, CT (See Footnote 10)	12212
12214–M	RSPA-1999-5092	Energetic Solutions Inc., Englewood, CO (See Footnote 11)	12214

<sup>1</sup>To modify the exemption to authorize the addition of two bulk pneumatic tankers for the transportation in commerce in bulk of certain 1.5 explosives and/or Division 5.1 oxidizers.

<sup>2</sup>To modify the exemption to authorize the inflator assembly (P/N 1812–161–01) to be shipped as a separate item; use of a different description/classification for the inflator assembly.

<sup>3</sup>To modify the exemption to provide for Class 9 as an additional class of material for the discharge of certain liquids from stainless steel UN31A Intermediate Bulk Containers and DOT Specification 57 portable tanks without removing the tanks from the vehicle on which it is transported.