

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 modification 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 the 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 May 10, 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 self-addressed 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
6299-M		MVE, Inc., New Prague, MN (See Footnote 1)	6299
7573-M		U.S. Department of Defense (MTMC), Falls Church, VA (See Footnote 2) ..	7573
8723-M		Nelson Brothers, Inc., Birmingham, AL (See Footnote 3)	8723
9997-M		Hodgdon Powder Co. Inc., Shawnee Mission, KS (See Footnote 4)	9997
10492-M ...		Detroit Water & Sewage Department, Detroit, MI (See Footnote 5)	10492
10938-M ...		Westvaco Corporation, Richmond, VA (See Footnote 6)	10938
11513-M ...		Thiokol Propulsion (Div of Cordant Tech Inc), Brigham City, UT (See Footnote 7).	11513
11667-M ...		Weldship Corporation, Bethlehem, PA (See Footnote 8)	11667
12069-M ...	RSPA-1998-3829	Compagnie des Containers Reservoirs, Paris, FR (See Footnote 9)	12069
12124-M ...	RSPA-1998-4309	Albemarle Corporation, Baton Rouge, LA (See Footnote 10)	12124
12219-M ...	RSPA-1999-5127	TRW Space and Electronics Group, Redondo Beach, CA (See Footnote 11).	12219

(1) To modify the exemption to reflect current revision levels on MVE's drawings for the manufacture, marking and sale of non-DOT specification portable tanks, for the transportation of Division 2.2 materials.

(2) To modify the exemption to provide for Division 1.5 as an additional class of material for the transport of certain hazardous materials presently forbidden or in quantities greater than allowed for cargo-only aircraft.

(3) To modify the exemption to provide for the addition of IM-101 portable tanks equipped with safety relief devices with lower set point devices that meet IM-102 set point and capacity requirements for bulk shipments of certain blasting agents.

(4) To modify the exemption to provide for Division 4.1 as an additional class of material for the transport of a kit containing smokeless powder for small arms, percussion caps and nonhazardous articles such as lead balls and bore cleaner, in non-DOT specification fiber boxes.

(5) To modify the exemption to authorize an alternative locking system

and a change to the onsite bi-directional derail for tank cars loaded with chlorine allowed to remain attached to transfer connections when the unloading process is discontinued.

(6) To modify the exemption to allow for Class 8 as an additional class of material in tank cars authorized to remain standing with unloading connections attached when no product is being transferred.

(7) To modify the exemption to include cyclotrimethylene trinitramine (RDX), Division 1.1, as an additional material in limited quantities and under specially prescribed shipping conditions in UN 1G fiber drums.

(8) To modify the exemption to allow for the testing of DOT-3AA cylinders and the use of Automatic Sensor Test (AST) method for the transportation of certain compressed gases.

(9) To modify the exemption to provide for the addition of Class 8 material in certain DOT Specification IM 101 portable tanks used in dedicated service with an alternative visual inspection schedule.

(10) To modify the exemption to provide for design changes of the non-DOT specification portable tank comparable to a specification DOT 51 portable tank equipped with bottom outlet and no internal shutoff valve for use in transporting various Division 4.2 and 4.3 hazardous materials.

(11) To reissue the exemption originally issued on an emergency basis for the transportation of Division 2.2 materials in non-DOT specification refrigeration systems described as pulse tube coolers.

This notice of receipt of applications for modification of 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)).

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