

the public and press from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. when other trade policy issues will be discussed. Attendance during this part of the meeting is for observation only. Individuals who are not members of the committees will not be invited to comment.

Pate Felts,

Acting Assistant United States Trade Representative, Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison.

[FR Doc. 98-28226 Filed 10-20-98; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3190-01-M

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 November 20, 1998.

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 application number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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 exemption is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1806; 49 CFR 1.53(e)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 1, 1998.

J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals.

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
12071-N	RSPA-1998-4562	Pennwalt India Limited, Worli, Mumbai, IN.	49 CFR 172.101(B9), (B64) (B65) (T16) (T41) 249).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of IM101 portable tanks equipped with Polyvinylidene fluoride liner permanently fitted within ISO frame for use in transporting Bromine or Bromine solutions, Class 8. (Modes 1, 2, and 3.)
12142-N	RSPA-1998-4476	Aristech Chemical Corp., Pittsburgh, PA.	49 CFR 174.67(i)	To authorize rail cars to remain standing with unloading fittings attached without the physical presence of an unloader. (Mode 3.)
12143-N	RSPA-1998-4477	Austin Powder Co. Cleveland, OH.	49 CFR 172.101, 176.83(b).	To authorize the transportation of certain 5.1 oxidizers and 1.1 explosives be exempt from certain segregation criteria. (Mode 3.)
12144-N	RSPA-1998-4478	Sea-Land Service, Inc., Charlotte, NC.	49 CFR 176.170(b)	To authorize the transportation of explosive substances in freight containers that exceed the authorize net limit. (Mode 3.)
12145-N	RSPA-1998-4479	Dorbyl Heavy Engineering, Duncanville Vereeniging, SA.	49 CFR 178.245	To authorize the use of non-DOT specification steel portable tanks permanently fixed within ISO frames which are similar to DOT 51 portable tanks for use in transporting various hazardous materials. (Modes 1, 2, and 3.)
12146-N	RSPA-1998-4526	Luxfer Gas Cylinders, Riverside, CA.	49 CFR 173.302(a)(1), 175.3.	To authorize the manufacture, marking and sale of non-DOT specification fiber reinforced plastic hoop-wrapped cylinders for use in transporting nonflammable gases, Division 2.2 (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.)
12147-N	RSPA-1998-4480	Portland General Electric, Rainer, OR.	49 CFR 173.416(a), 173.467.	To authorize the one-time transportation in commerce of a reactor vessel for disposal containing Class 7, radioactive material. (Modes 1, 3).
12148-N	RSPA-1998-4527	Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY.	49 CFR 172.320, 173.3, 173.52, 173.54, 173.60, 174.3, 175.3, 177.801.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of not more than 25 grams of explosives and pyrotechnic material in a specially designed container. (Modes 1, 3, and 4).
12149-N	RSPA-1998-4528	CP Industries, Inc., McKeesport, PA.	49 CFR 178.45(h)	To provide for ultrasonically scanning of DOT 3T cylinders at time of manufacturing for use in transporting Division 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 gases. (Modes 1, 2, 3, and 4).
12155-N	RSPA-1998-4558	S&C Electric Co., Chicago, IL.	49 CFR 172.301(c), 173.304.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a specially designed non-DOT specification packaging containing compressed sulfur hexafluoride, Division 2.2. (Modes 1, 2, 3, and 4).

NEW EXEMPTIONS—Continued

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
12156-N	RSPA-1998-4559	Columbia Falls Aluminum Co., Columbia Falls, MT.	49 CFR 174.67(l)	To authorize rail cars containing Elevated Temperature Liquid, n.o.s., Class 9, to remain connected during unloading process without the physical presence of an unloader. (Mode 2).
12157-N	RSPA-1998-4560	Raytheon Systems Co. Fort Wayne, IN.	49 CFR 173.306	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a specially designed packaging consisting of a gas cylinder containing limited quantities of hazardous materials to be transported as essentially unregulated by air. (Mode 4).
12158-N	RSPA-1998-4561	Hickson Corporation Conley, GA.	49 CFR 174.67(i) & (j)	To authorize rail cars containing Chromic Acid solution, Class 8, to remain connected to valves without the physical presence of an unloader. (Mode 2).

[FR Doc. 98-28151 Filed 10-20-98; 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 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 November 5, 1998.

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
7657-M	Welker Engineering Company, Sugar Land, TX (See Footnote 1)	7657
8009-M	CP Industries, Inc., McKeesport, PA (See Footnote 2)	8009
9275-M	Estee Lauder Company, Melville, NY (See Footnote 3)	9275
10429-M	HCI USA Distribution Companies, Inc., Santa Ana, CA (See Footnote 4)	10429
10966-M	Columbia Helicopters, Inc., Portland, OR (See Footnote 5)	10966
11327-M	Phoenix Services Limited Partnership, Pasadena, MD (See Footnote 6)	11327
11379-M	TRW Vehicle Safety Systems, Inc., Washington, MI (See Footnote 7)	11379
11537-M	Industrial Chemtex, Inc., Longview, TX (See Footnote 8)	11537
11984-M	RSPA-1997-3173	United Parcel Service Company, Louisville, KY (See Footnote 9)	11984
12094-M	RSPA-1998-4018	Suburban Propane, Inc., Anchorage, AK (See Footnote 10)	12094

(1) To modify the exemption to provide for Class 2.3 as an additional class of material for the transportation of certain compressed gases in non-DOT specification cylinders.

(2) To modify the exemption to authorize increased ultrasonic scanning speeds on DOT-3AAX cylinders (trailer tubes) made of 4130X steel, for CNG service, at the time of manufacturing.

(3) To modify the exemption to include flammable deodorant sticks reclassified as a consumer commodity which contain 78-79% ethyl alcohol authorized to be transported as essentially unregulated.

(4) To modify exemption to allow UN31A IBCs having capacities not exceeding 660 gallons for the discharge of certain Class 3 and Class 8 liquids from DOT Specification 57 stainless steel portable tanks without removing tanks from vehicle on which it is transported; the addition of certain Class 9 materials.

(5) To modify the exemption to provide for an additional non-DOT specification container for the transportation by helicopter of a Class 3 material, a combustible liquid, and a Class 8 material in non-DOT specification rotationally molded, cross-linked polyethylene portable tanks.

(6) To modify the exemption to include changes to the packaging system for the transportation of regulated medical waste in non-DOT specification dual packaging.

(7) To modify the exemption to authorize a cylinder (pressure vessel) design/testing change for use as components of automobile vehicle safety systems charged with non-toxic, non-liquefied gases, or mixtures thereof.

(8) To modify the exemption to include UN31HA1 intermediate bulk containers for the transportation in commerce of certain Class 8 material in IBCs that are securely mounted to a flatbed trailer, but not removed from the vehicle prior to loading or unloading of container.

(9) To modify the exemption to authorize, for the return of oxygen generators (equipped either with one, or two independent, means of preventing actuation) to their original manufacturer only, the use of a non-DOT specification strong outer packaging.