

of these carriers have been issued farm license plates. ODOT's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division has issued approximately 37,000 farm license plates for trucks operating in Oregon. However, because of the seasonal nature of farm work, it is estimated that only 13,000 farm plates are valid at any given time. The difference between the number of farmers and the number of farm license plates arises because the plates are issued for seasons, and depending on what the farmers are growing they only operate CMVs during certain times of the year.

Method to Ensure an Equivalent or Greater Level of Safety

ODOT believes the level of safety for farmers operating under the exemption would be equivalent to the level of safety that would be provided by the Federal safety regulations because the State would continue to enforce its rules of the road and equipment regulations applicable to all motorists and motor vehicles. Farm vehicles are currently required to comply with State requirements related to parts and accessories, including brakes, lights, mudguards and fenders, emissions and exhaust, windows, horns, mirrors, etc. Furthermore, ODOT has the authority to inspect any vehicle to verify compliance. By publication of this notice the FMCSA hopes to receive data enabling the agency to determine whether to grant or deny this exemption.

Potential Impacts If the Exemption is Not Granted

ODOT believes that if the exemption is not granted, the State would no longer

be eligible for participation in MCSAP. For fiscal year 2003, it is estimated that Oregon will receive \$2,009,000 in basic grant funds and an additional \$437,481 in incentive funds.

Request for Comments

In accordance 49 U.S.C. 31315(b)(4) and 31136(e), FMCSA requests public comment from all interested parties on ODOT's application for an exemption from all the Safety requirements of Subchapter B to Chapter III, title 49 of the CFR. The agency may grant or deny the application based on the comments received, and any other relevant information that is available to the agency.

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Annette M. Sandberg,

Deputy Administrator.

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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 January 27, 2003.

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 or at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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 December 19, 2002.

R. Ryan Posten,

Exemptions Program Officer, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals.

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of Exemption thereof
13162-N	RSPA-02-13799	Exact Sciences Corporation, Maynard, MA.	49 CFR 171-180	To authorize the transportation in commerce of diagnostic specimens, Division 6.2, in quantities greater than presently authorized, to be transported as unregulated. (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4.)
13172-N	RSPA-02-14007	Raytheon Co., Tewksbury, MA.	49 CFR 173.302(a), 175.3	To authorize the transportation in commerce of helium, Division 2.2, in fully wrapped carbon-fiber reinforced aluminum lined non-DOT cylinders with a maximum service pressure of 3240 psi and a water capacity of 260 liters. (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.)
13173-N	RSPA-02-14003	Dynetek Industries Ltd., Calgary Alberta, Canada.	49 CFR 173.302(a), 175.3	To authorize the manufacture, mark, sale and use of DOT-CFFC specification fully wrapped carbon fiber reinforced aluminum lined cylinders mounted in protective enclosures for use in transporting Division 2.1 and 2.2 hazardous materials. (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.)
13174-N	RSPA-02-14017	Carleton Technologies Inc., Orchard Park, NY.	49 CFR 173.302(a), 175.3	To authorize the manufacture, mark, sale and use of non-DOT specification fully wrapped composite fiber reinforced aluminum lined cylinders for use in transporting helium, Division 2.2. (Modes 1, 2, 4.)

NEW EXEMPTIONS—Continued

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of Exemption thereof
13176-N	RSPA-02-14016	Union Pacific Railroad Company, Omaha, NE.	49 CFR 174.83	To authorize a bulk packaging of aluminum smelting by-products, Division 4.3, transported by rail to be switched under its own momentum. (Mode 2.)
13177-N	RSPA-02-14015	Quality Containment Company, Owensboro, KY.	49 CFR 173.304(a)(2), 173.34(d)&(e).	To authorize the manufacturing, mark, sell and use of non-DOT specification full opening head, steel salvage cylinders for over packaging damaged or leaking chlorine and sulfur dioxide cylinders. (Modes 1, 3.)
13178-N	RSPA-02-14019	ConocoPhillips, Anchorage, AK.	49 CFR 172.101, Table Col. (9B).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of 350 gallon DOT Specification bulk containers for use in transporting flammable liquids, n.o.s by cargo aircraft. (Mode 4.)
13179-N	RSPA-02-14020	EnviroTech Systems Inc., Lynnwood, WA.	49 CFR 173-21, 173.308	To authorize the transportation in commerce of lighters that have been removed from their approved inner packaging, are partially used, and are being transported for disposal without further approval. (Mode 1.)
13180-N	RSPA-02-14021	The Association of HazMat Shippers, Washington, DC.	49 CFR 123, 172.203(a), 172.301 (c), 173.22, 173.306, 173.306(a)(1).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of aerosols with a capacity of 50 ml or less containing Division 2.2 gas and no other hazardous materials be transported without certain hazard communication requirements. (Modes 1, 2, 3.)
13181-N	RSPA-02-14022	Thermo MF Physics, Colorado Springs, CO.	49 CFR 173.403, 173.424	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a specially designed device consisting of a non-DOT specification cylinder for use in transporting sulfur hexafluoride, Division 2.2. (Modes 1, 3, 4, 5.)
13182-N	RSPA-02-14023	Cytec Industries Inc., West Paterson, NJ.	49 CFR 173.304(b)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of foreign designed cylinders with relief from filling limits for use in transporting phosphine, Division 2.3 (Modes 1, 3.)
13186-N	RSPA-02-14014	Quality Containment Company, Owensboro, KY.	49 CFR 173.301(f), 173.304(a)(2).	To authorize the manufacture, marking, sell and use of non-DOT specification full opening head, steel salvage cylinders for overpacking damaged or leaking chlorine cylinders. (Modes 1, 3.)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

Office of Hazardous Materials Safety;
Notice of Applications for Modification of Exemptions**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 January 10, 2003.

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 CONTACT:

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC or at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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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