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DOT-E 8955 (EXTENSION)
ORIGINAL April 19, 1983

In accordance with 49 CFR 107.105 of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations DOT-E 8955 is hereby extended for the party(ies) listed below by changing the expiration date in paragraph 10 to January 1, 1996. This change is effective from the issue date of this extension. All other terms of the exemption remain unchanged.

This extension applies only to party(ies) listed below based on the application(s) received in accordance with 49 CFR 107.105. This extension constitutes a necessary part of this exemption and must be attached to it.

for Alan I. Roberts
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

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| EXEMPTION HOLDER | APPLICATION DATE |
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| Western Atlas International, Inc.<br>Houston, TX | May 31, 1994 |

ADVISORY

IF YOU ARE A HOLDER OF AN EXEMPTION THAT AUTHORIZES THE USE OF A PACKAGING WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY LESS THAN 450 L (119 GALLONS) OR A MAXIMUM NET MASS LESS THAN 400 KG (882 POUNDS), PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT YOUR EXEMPTION MAY NOT BE RENEWED BEYOND SEPTEMBER 30, 1996. IN ADDITION, NO NEW CONSTRUCTION OF PACKAGINGS WHICH FALL WITHIN THE NON-BULK CAPACITIES LISTED ABOVE ARE AUTHORIZED AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 1994. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS ADOPTED UNDER DOCKET HM-181. ANY APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE TO RENEW AN EXEMPTION BEYOND THE SEPTEMBER 30, 1996 DATE WILL BE DENIED UNLESS THE APPLICATION CONTAINS SUPPORTING INFORMATION TO JUSTIFY THE CONTINUATION OF THE EXEMPTION.

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DOT-E 8955

1. Atlas Oilfield Service Group, Dresser Industries, Inc., Houston, Texas, is hereby granted an exemption from those provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations specified in paragraph 5 below to offer packages prescribed herein of a Class A or Class C explosive for transportation in commerce subject to the limitations and special requirements specified herein. This exemption authorizes the transportation of charged oil well guns with detonators attached, and provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated.

2. BASIS. This exemption is based on an application from Dresser Industries dated November 17, 1982, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.103 and the public proceeding thereon.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class). Charged oil well guns classed as Class A or Class C explosive.

4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Charged oil well jet perforating gun.

5. REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 173.80(b), 173.80(c), 173.110(c)(1) only insofar as they address firing devices affixed to or installed in the guns.

6. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Motor vehicle and cargo vessel.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES. Packaging prescribed is as required by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR) for charged oil well jet perforating guns. The device shown on drawing C 114976XA dated 9/14/81 which prevents the detonation of the cap from initiating the detonating cord must be placed between each detonator and the primacord leading to the individual jet perforator, before any charged oil well gun authorized under this exemption is offered for transportation.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

a. This exemption applies only to charged oil well guns identified as "Seleckone" and "Select Fire" guns.

b. Transportation must be only by private carriers engaged in oil well operations.

c. Transportation is authorized only from the gun assembly site (wireline shop) to the job site.

d. "Cargo vessel" in paragraph 6 means an off-shore supply vessel.

e. Vehicle and vessel operators must be instructed as to the necessary safeguards and proper procedure in the event of unusual delay, fire or accident.

f. A copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each motor vehicle and vessel used to transport packages covered by this exemption.

9. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Any incident involving loss of contents of the package must be reported to the Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation as soon as practicable.

10. EXPIRATION DATE. December 31, 1984.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:

APR 19 1983

Alan I. Roberts
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Materials Transportation Bureau

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