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U.S. Department of Transportation
Research and Special Programs Administration

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DOT-E 11685
(FIFTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: APRIL 30, 20000

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR SECTION 107.109.)

1. GRANTEE: Members of the American Pyrotechnics Association Chestertown, MD.
(See Appendix A of this exemption for a list of APA members; Appendix B for other holders; Appendix C for NFA members who have been granted party status to this exemption.)

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION: This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of Division 1.3 and 1.4 display fireworks with igniters (electric matches) attached to either the fuse or the lift charge. This exemption provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated herein.

3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.

4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR Part 173.54(1).

5. BASIS: This exemption is based on American Pyrotechnics Association's (APA) application dated April 8, 1998 submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.109.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR 172.101):

Hazardous materials description - proper shipping name	Hazard Class/ Division	ID Number	PG
Fireworks (display)	1.3G	UN0335	II
Fireworks (display)	1.4G	UN0336	II

7. PACKAGING AND SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - As required in 49 CFR 173.62.

b. MARKING Outside packaging must be marked with the EX number assigned to the fireworks (not the igniter) and DOT-E 11685.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. Fireworks (with igniters attached) covered by this exemption are authorized to be transported only by private motor carrier from place of a firework manufacture or a firework display operator's facility to a firework display site or a storage facility associated with a display site.

b. Both the fireworks and the igniters must be separately approved and assigned EX numbers in accordance with 49 CFR 173.56.

c. Report (salute) shells, as defined in APA 87-1, exceeding 3 inches in diameter or containing more than 70 grams (2.5 ounces) of detonating powder may not have igniters attached and are not authorized to be transported under this exemption.

d. The igniter must be certified by the manufacturer to be thermally stable at 150 degrees Centigrade for 24 hours.

e. The igniter must be rated by the manufacturer to have a "no fire current" of not less than 0.20 amperes (200 milliamperes) i.e. the match head will not ignite when a current of less than 0.20 amperes is passed through it.

f. The igniter must be securely attached to the fuse or the lift charge of the firework so as to prevent significant movement of the igniter.

g. When the igniter is placed directly into the "lift charge" of a firework, it must have a "shroud" over the match head composition.

h. The leg wires of the igniter must be shorted at all times during transportation.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

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

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11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. Section 5101 et seq:

    - All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
    - Registration required by 49 CFR 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

    Each "Hazmt employee", as defined in 49 CFR 171.8 who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by 49 CFR 172.700 through 172.704.

    No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving fire, explosion or loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (49 CFR 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incidents involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:

for Ann Mazzullo 5/21/98

Alan I. Roberts (DATE)
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. Attention: DHM-31.

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AMERICAN PYROTECHNICS ASSOCIATION

APPENDIX A

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AMERICAN FIREWORKS CO.	P.O. Box 394, Hudson, OH 44236
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AMERICAN FIREWORKS COMPANY, INC.	9035 N. Highway 61, Walls, MS 38680
AMERICAN PROMOTIONAL EVENTS, INC.	P.O. Box 1318, Florence, Alabama 35631
AMERICAN PROMOTIONAL EVENTS, INC.	14111 Freeway Dr, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
AMUSEMENT BROKERS, LTD.	1875 Branigan Rd., Beloit, WI 53511
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ATOMIC FIREWORKS INC. OF ARKANSAS	P.O. Box 1150, West Memphis, AR 72303
B. J. ALAN COMPANY, INC.	P.O. Box 3, Columbiana, OH 44408
BARTOLOTTA'S FIREWORKS COMPANY, INC.	P.O. Box 5, Genesee Depot, WI 53127
BOOM BOOM PRODUCTIONS	P.O. Box 1234, Hayfork, CA 96041
CASCADE DISTRIBUTING CO.,INC.	2038 Birch Dr., N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49504
C T INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISE CORP.	P.O. Box 896, Pearl River, NY 10965
CELEBRATION FIREWORKS CO., INC.	5860 N. Michigan Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46208
CENTRAL KENTUCKY FIREWORKS CO.	4895 Faulkirk Lane, Lexington, KY 40515
CENTRAL MISSOURI FIREWORKS, INC.	P.O. Box 461, Moberly, MO 65270
CLASSIC FIREWORKS BY EVENTS, INC.	60 West Court, Mandeville, LA 70471
CONSIGNED SALES, INC.	11905 Grandview Road, Grandview, MO 64030
COONIE'S EXPLOSIVES AND BLACK POWDER INC.	P.O. Box 2062, Hobbs, NM 88240
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ENTERTAINMENT FIREWORKS, INC.	P.O. Box 7160 Olympia, WA 98507-7160
F & S COMPANY, INC.	4500 Tower Rd. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87121
FAMILY FIREWORKS	1001 Evans Rd, Gas City, IN 46933
FIRESIDE FIREWORKS	2720 W. 5 Mile, Caledonia WI 53108
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FIREWORKS IMPORTING INC.	18013 NW Diamond Ct., Parkville, MO 64152
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GOEX,INC.	1002 Springbrook Ave. , Moosic, PA 18507
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GRAND FIREWORKS MFG. CO.	3046 Wolf Run Road, Cuba, NY 14727
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J & M DISPLAYS INC.	18064 170th Avenue, Yarmouth, IA 52660
JAKE'S FIREWORKS INC.	2311 A. West 4th Street, Pittsburg, KS 66762
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NICO FEUERWERK Gmb	Remscheid. GERMANY
PIROFANTASIA Y MULTIMEDIA, S.I.	Valencia, SPAIN
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APPENDIX B

The following are hereby granted party status to this exemption based on their application(s) submitted in accordance with § 107.107 or § 107.109, as appropriate:

Company Name City/State	Application Date	Issue Date	Expiration Date
Persons represented by the National Fireworks Association, Inc. Harrisburg, PA	3/2/00	MAY 18 2000	4/30/02

Ann Mazzulla

for Robert A. McGuire
Acting Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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APPENDIX C

List of the National Fireworks Association, Inc., members that NFA has supplied to us.