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Administration**

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Mr. Richard Olson
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Ref. No. 11-0015

Dear Mr. Olson:

This responds to your letter requesting clarification of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180) applicable to the transportation of nurse tanks. Specifically, you ask whether permitting or approval is required under the HMR for three nurse tanks secured and transported on one trailer that is pulled by a pickup truck or semi-trailer operated by a private motor carrier.

Provided the requirements for nurse tanks specified in § 173.315(m) are met, multiple nurse tanks mounted and secured to a farm wagon that are intended for use in direct support of agricultural operations do not require additional permitting or approval from this Office.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have further questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. Glenn Foster". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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Subject: Anhydrous ammonia farm use nurse trailers

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Stevens
§173.315(m)
Nurse Tanks
11-0013

Dear Sir:

I am a director of a Farm Coop which supplies fuel and fertilizer products to farmers. Presently we deliver these Nurse tank trailers one at a time. Due to larger farm equipment and further distances, we cannot keep up.

I would like to know if we can get a permit to haul 3 Nurse tank trailers on a trailer pulled by a pickup or a semi trailer.

I feel this would be much safer hauling them on a trailer with adequate lights and braking systems to meet all DOT regulations.

Respectfully yours,



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