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DOT-E 12959

EXPIRATION DATE: **September 30, 2002**

1. GRANTEE: Sara Export Import
Escondido, CA

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION: This emergency exemption authorizes the one-time one-way transportation in commerce of a freight container containing 596 non-UN standard non-bulk packages containing 1,000 lighters each without a DOT approval. Transportation is authorized for export only. This exemption provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) 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 § 173.21(i) in that lighters are required to be approved except as provided herein, § 172.102 Special Provision N10 in that lighters are required to be in specification packagings except as authorized herein and the marking requirement of § 172.301(c)is waived.

5. BASIS: This emergency exemption is based on the application of Sara Export Import dated March 5, 2002, and additional information dated April 2, 2002 submitted in accordance with § 107.117 and a determination that it is necessary to prevent significant economic loss.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	**Hazard Class/ Division**	**Identi- fication Number**	**Packing Group**
Lighters	2.1	UN1057	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: PACKAGING - Packagings prescribed are strong tight packagings meeting the provisions of 49 CFR § 173.24 and 173.24a further packed in a freight container.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. The freight container will be exported by cargo vessel from the LA/Long Beach Port Area in California.

b. MARKING: The marking requirement in § 172.301(c) is waived.

c. "DOT-E 12959" must appear on the shipping papers in accordance with § 172.203(a).

d. The approval requirements of § 173.21(i) are waived.

e. The freight container must be stowed "on deck" on the cargo vessel.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo vessel.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

a. A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard the cargo vessel used to transport packages covered by this exemption.

b. The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port must be notified in writing within 72 hours prior to shipment, of the details describing the shipment contained in this exemption including the terminal and vessel information.

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. 5101 et seq:

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

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 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 §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

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

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 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 incident involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:

Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

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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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