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**Pipeline and Hazardous  
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 6691  
(TWELFTH REVISION)

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: (See individual authorization letter)
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
  - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of certain Division 2.1 and 2.2 gases, as specified in paragraph 6 below, in DOT Specification 3A or 3AA, and ICC 3, 3A or 3AA cylinders manufactured on or before December 31, 1945, which have been retested at least every 10 years. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.
  - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
  - c. Unless otherwise stated herein, this special permit consists of the special permit authorization letter issued to the grantee together with this document.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 172.203(a) in that the special permit number is not required to be indicated on the shipping paper, and § 180.209(b)(i), in that cylinders manufactured on or before December 31, 1945, and otherwise conforming to the requirements of § 180.209(b) may be retested every 10 years instead of every five years.

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5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the Matheson Tri-Gas application dated, July 13, 2012 in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding therein.
6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

<b>Hazardous Materials Description</b>			
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	<b>Hazard Class/ Division</b>	<b>Identification Number</b>	<b>Packing Group</b>
Gases, and gas mixtures specified in § 180.209(b) (ii)	2.1 or 2.2	As Appropriate	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

- a. PACKAGING - Packagings prescribed are DOT Specification 3A and 3AA cylinders, and cylinders marked ICC-3, 3A or 3AA, with a water capacity of 125 pounds or less, manufactured on or before December 31, 1945.
- b. REQUALIFICATION - Cylinders must be requalified at least once every 10 years in accordance with §180.205. Requalification includes internal and external visual inspection and volumetric expansion test.
- c. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS -
1. The cylinders under this special permit must have been used exclusively for dry gases listed in Part 6 of this special permit during the last two retest periods.
  2. Except for the age limitation in § 180.209(b) (i), cylinders must comply with all requirements of § 180.209(b).

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

- a. A person who is not a holder of this special permit who receives a package covered by this special permit may reoffer it for transportation provided no modification or change is made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.

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- b. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.
- c. Packagings authorized herein marked "DOT SP 6691" prior to the issuance of this special permit may be transported under the terms of this special permit.
- d. Transportation of Division 2.1 (flammable gases) are not authorized aboard cargo vessel or aircraft unless specifically authorized in the Hazardous Materials Table (§ 172.101).
- e. The transportation of oxygen is only authorized by aircraft when in accordance with § 175.501.
9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle, rail freight, cargo vessel, cargo aircraft only, and passenger-carrying aircraft.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: This special permit imposes no additional modal requirements.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:
- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
  - o Persons operating under the terms of this exemption must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
  - o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

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

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) - 'The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005' (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term "exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 - Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 - Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for Dr. Magdy El-Sibaie  
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building PHH-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D.C. 20590.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at [http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp\\_app/special\\_permits/spec\\_perm\\_index.htm](http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm) Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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