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DOT-E 7959 (EXTENSION)
SECOND REVISION November 4, 1984

In accordance with 49 CFR 107.105 of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations DOT-E 7959 is hereby extended for the party(ies) listed below by changing the expiration date in paragraph 10 to December 31, 1995. 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.

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EXEMPTION HOLDER	APPLICATION DATE
Woods Hole, Marthas Vineyard & Nantucket Steamship Woods Hole, MA	January 14, 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 7959
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1. Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority, Woods Hole, Massachusetts, is hereby granted an exemption from those provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations specified in paragraph 5 below to transport packages prescribed herein of certain flammable gases in commerce subject to the limitations and special requirements specified herein. This exemption authorizes the stowage of recreational vehicles carrying liquefied petroleum gas for heating and cooking on the vehicle deck of passenger-carrying ferries and other passenger-carrying vessels.

2. BASIS. This exemption is based on Nantucket Steamship Authority's application dated June 29, 1982, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class). Liquefied petroleum gas authorized to be stowed "on deck" and "under deck" on cargo vessels (indicated by the numbers "1,2" in column (7)(a) of 49 CFR 172.101) and "on deck" on passenger vessels (indicated by the number "1" in column (7)(b) of 49 CFR 172.101)

4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Liquefied petroleum gas.

5. REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 172.101, 176.78(k).

6 MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Ferries and passenger vessels.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES.

a. Cylinders of liquefied petroleum gas, when the cylinders are attached to recreational vehicles such as campers or trailers, are exempt from 49 CFR.

b. All liquefied petroleum gas cylinders on recreational vehicles shall be secured by closing the shut-off valves prior to the recreational vehicles being loaded on the vessels.

c. The owner or operator of each recreational vehicle shall be directed to close all operating valves for liquefied petroleum gas within the vehicles.

d. A visual inspection by a responsible member of the crew shall be made of each cylinder of liquefied petroleum gas attached to a recreational vehicle before it may be allowed onboard the vessel. Any cylinder showing deterioration which might affect its integrity shall not be allowed onboard the vessel.

e. The provisions of this exemption are limited to the Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority vessels M/V ISLANDER, M/V NANTUCKET, M/V UNCATENA and S.S. NAUSHON.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

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

b. "No Smoking" signs shall be posted on the vehicle decks.

c. An hourly patrol of vehicle decks shall be made by a watchman. Any unusual or dangerous situation shall be reported promptly to the vessel's master.

d. No passenger may be allowed on the vehicle deck during the voyage unless accompanied by the watchman or a responsible member of the crew.

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. June 1, 1984.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:

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