U.S. Department of Transportation

Research and Special Programs Administration

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DOT-E 8904
(SECOND REVISION)

1. Keith Huber Incorporated, Gulfport, Mississippi, is hereby granted an exemption from certain provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to manufacture, mark, and sell certain non-DOT specification cargo tanks as described in paragraph 7 below for use in the transportation of the hazardous materials described in paragraph 3 below in commerce subject to the requirements specified herein. This exemption authorizes use of a non-DOT specification cargo tank, and provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated. Note: Reference to 49 CFR sections in this exemption are to regulations in effect on September 30, 1991.

2. BASIS. This exemption is based on Keith Huber, Incorporated's application dated June 14, 1993 and supplemental letter dated September 22, 1993, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.105.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class). Liquid and semi-solid waste material, including mixtures, compatible with the packaging, containing flammable liquids or corrosives or poison B materials, or combinations thereof, classed as Class 3, Class 8 or Class 6 as appropriate.

4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Specific commodity name, or generic description, as appropriate.

5. REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 173.119(a) and (m), 173.245(a), 173.346(a), 178.340-7, 178.342-5, 178.343-5.

6. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Motor vehicle.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES. Packaging prescribed is a non-DOT specification cargo tank designed and constructed in full compliance with DOT Specification MC-307 or MC-312 (49 CFR 178.340, 178.342, 178.343) except as follows:

a. The cargo tank must be designed, built and certified in accordance with Section VIII of the ASME Code to a minimum design pressure as follows:

Basic Cargo Tank Specification	Design Pressure (psig) Internal (See Note 1)	External (See Note 2)	Minimum Test Pressure (psig)
MC 307	25	15	37.5
MC 312	25	15	37.5

Note 1: The design pressure must be at least equal to the maximum pressure used for unloading.

Note 2: Vacuum tanks must have an external design pressure of at least 15 psi.

b. Circumferential reinforcement must comply with 49 CFR 178.340-7 except the maximum unreinforced portion of the shell may exceed 60-inches provided thickness and tensile strength of the shell material in combination with the frame and circumferential reinforcement produces structural integrity at least equal to that prescribed in 49 CFR 178.340-4(b).

c. In place of internal valves prescribed in 49 CFR 178.342-5(a) and 178.343-5(b), each tank may be equipped with one 6-inch maximum diameter bottom outlet with gate, plug or butterfly valve and one optional 4-inch maximum diameter bottom inlet with gate, plug or butterfly valve located near the rear of tank in accordance with Drawing 286107 or 282107 on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals (OHMEA). Each bottom outlet and bottom inlet must be equipped with an additional shut-off valve, or a blank flange or a sealing cap.

d. The metal identification plate and the manufacturer's certificate must not be marked to indicate compliance with DOT MC-307 or MC-312 specifications but instead must bear reference to DOT-E 8904.

e. Cargo tanks used in transporting waste flammable liquid or semi solid materials must have each tank or tank compartment equipped with safety relief devices or vents complying with 49 CFR 178.342-4.

f. No new construction is authorized.

8. <u>SPECIAL PROVISIONS</u>.

a. Offerors for transportation of the hazardous materials specified in this exemption may use the packaging described in this exemption for the transportation of such hazardous materials so long as no modifications or changes are made to the packages, all terms of this exemption are complied with, and a copy of the current exemption is maintained at each facility from which such offering occurs.

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

c. Each cargo tank must be reinspected and retested once every two years in accordance with 49 CFR 177.824 as prescribed for DOT Specification MC-307 or MC-312 cargo tanks, as appropriate, at one and one-half times the sum of the design pressure plus the static head.

d. Each cargo tank must be plainly marked on the right side near the front, in letters at least two inches high on a contrasting background, "DOT-E 8904."

e. The Manufacturer's Data Report for the first cargo tank fabricated must be submitted to the OHMEA prior to initial shipment.

9. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Any incident involving loss of contents of the package or cargo tank rollover must be reported to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety as soon as possible.

10. EXPIRATION DATE. January 15, 1994.

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