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**Pipeline and
Hazardous
Materials Safety
Administration**

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DOT-E 14203

EXPIRATION DATE: October 31, 2005

1. GRANTEE: Alliant Techsystems, Inc.
Plymouth, MN
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This emergency exemption authorizes the use of approximately 10,000 UN1G fiber drums that do not conform to the marking provisions of Part 178 for the transportation in commerce of a Division 1.3C propellant. This exemption provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 172.301(c) in that marking the exemption number on the fiber is waived; and §§ 178.3(c) and 178.503(a)(1) in that each drum represented as manufactured to meet a UN standard does not bear the year of manufacture.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of Alliant Techsystems dated May 25, 2005, 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):

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Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper shipping name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Powder, smokeless	1.3C	UN0161	II

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING: Packagings authorized are approximately 10,000 UN1G fiber drums meeting the packing group performance level marked on each drum.

b. MARKING: Each drum must be marked in accordance with § 178.503(a) except that the provisions for marking last two digits of the year of manufacture in § 178.503(a)(6) are waived.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A person who is not a holder of this exemption who receives a package covered by this exemption may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this exemption and the HMR.

b. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package offered or reoffered for transportation. It must be made available to a DOT representative upon request.

c. This exemption does not authorize the reuse of the drums identified in paragraph 7 above.

d. The marking requirement of § 172.301(c) is waived.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle and rail freight.

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10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this exemption.
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:
- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption 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 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: Shipments or operations conducted under this exemption 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 exemption must notify the Associate Administrator for

Hazardous Materials Safety -- OHMEA, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this exemption.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:

for 

Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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(DATE)

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.

Attention: PHH-31.

Copies of this exemption may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at <http://hazmat.dot.gov/exemptions> Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this exemption are permitted. Any alteration of this exemption is prohibited.

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