1. Fastline Shipping Corporation, Miami, Florida, is hereby granted an emergency exemption from the provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations specified in paragraph 5 below to transport packages of Class A and B explosives in commerce subject to the limitations and special provisions specified herein. This exemption authorizes a foreign-flag vessel (M/V PATRICK) to transport packages of explosives which are described, classed, packaged, marked, and labeled in accordance with the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code through United States waters and to load additional packages of explosives in Concord, CA. and provides no relief from any other regulation other than as specifically stated.

2. BASIS. This exemption is based on Fastline Shipping Corporation's application of August 31, 1984, submitted through the United States Coast Guard, Washington, D.C., in accordance with 49 CFR 107.113, based on a serious economic loss.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class). Military explosives and non-military explosives, Class A and B explosives, as listed in the application cited above.

4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Appropriate for the materials listed in the application.

5. REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 171.12, 173.86, and 176.11.

6. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Cargo vessel.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES. Packages on the vessel, upon arrival in the United States, must conform to the applicable requirements of the IMDG Code or 49 CFR, Parts 171-178.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

   a. Each explosive, to be loaded under the terms of this exemption, must have been assigned an explosive approval in accordance with Title 49, Section 173.86.

   b. Packages of explosives to be loaded on the vessel in Concord, CA. may be stowed and segregated as required by the IMDG Code.

   c. A copy of this exemption must be aboard the vessel when transporting packages covered by this exemption.

9. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Any incident involving loss of contents of a package under this exemption must be reported to the Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation as soon as practicable.

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