In accordance with 49 CFR 107.105 of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations DOT-E 9915 is hereby extended for the party(ies) listed below by changing the expiration date in paragraph 10 to December 31, 1993. 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.

Jan I. Roberts  
Associate Administrator  
for Hazardous Materials Safety

Dist: FHWA FRA USCG  
APPLICATION DATE

Hercules, Inc.  
Wilmington, DE  
December 4, 1991
1. Hercules, Incorporated, Wilmington, Delaware, is hereby granted an exemption from certain provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to offer packages prescribed herein of a certain flammable liquid and flammable solid for transportation in commerce subject to the limitations and special requirements specified herein. This exemption authorizes the re-use of DOT Specification 17H drums of 55-gallon capacity for multiple shipments of nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 30% alcohol or solvent, classed as flammable liquid, and nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 20% water, classed as flammable solid, without subjecting drums to reconditioning requirements when performing a specific inspection and cleaning program, and provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated.

2. BASIS. This exemption is based on Hercules, Incorporated's application dated December 31, 1987, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.103 and the public proceeding thereon.

3. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class). Nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 30% alcohol or solvent, classed as flammable liquid; Nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 20% water, classed as flammable solid.

4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 30% alcohol or solvent; Nitrocellulose, wet with not less than 20% water.

5. REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 173.28(m).

6. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Motor vehicle, rail freight, cargo vessel.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES. Packaging prescribed is a DOT Specification 17H drum of 55-gallon capacity. Drum may be re-used for multiple shipments without reconditioning in accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR 173.28(m). The following inspection program and procedures must be utilized on each DOT Specification 17H drum prior to each re-use:

   a. Each drum must be thoroughly cleaned to remove any residue.

   b. Closure devices/parts must be removed and inspected for weakness or defects. Any part that is broken or weak must be replaced.

   c. A new, clean sponge-rubber head gasket must be installed.
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b. Drums covered by this exemption may only be used for those materials listed in paragraph 3 above.

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


Issued at Washington, D.C.:

[Signature]
Alan I. Roberts
Director
Office of Hazardous Materials
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