

U.S. Department of Transportation **Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety** Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

October 21, 2021

Mr. Bradley Bedard VP Supply Chain Management OMG Inc. 153 Bowles Road Agawam, MA 01001

Reference No. 21-0086

Dear Mr. Bedard:

This letter is in response to your August 19, 2021, email requesting clarification of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180) applicable to cylinder marking requirements. In your email, you included photographs depicting a Department of Transportation (DOT) specification 39 (DOT-39) cylinder that is marked with a space between the "M" and the numerals instead of before the "M." You ask whether the additional space is a violation of the HMR.

Section 178.65(i)(2)(v) specifies that a DOT-39 cylinder must be marked with the registration number (M****) of the manufacturer. The addition of the space between the "M" and the numerals is not a violation of § 178.65(i). However, the markings as depicted in your photograph may frustrate the transportation of the cylinders.

I hope this information is helpful. Please contact us if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Alenn Foster

T. Glenn Foster Chief, Regulatory Review and Reinvention Branch Standards and Rulemaking Division

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Hi Alice,

Please see the below Letter of Interpretation request.

Let us know if you need anything else.

Regards,

-Breanna

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Hello,

I spoke with a person in the DOT department, and they suggested that I send an email this email address.

I wanted to confirm that the nomenclature used by this China supplier for the DOT-39NCR is appropriate. As you can see, I've included a picture below (white is the China supplier). The red canister is from our domestic supplier and the spacing is a little different (before and after the M) I've also included an excerpt from the approved Foreign supplier list on your website below.

Can you please confirm that this is acceptable?

Please call if you have any questions.

I work for OMG Inc. at 153 Bowles Road, Agawam MA 01001 and my cell number is 413-896-1333

Thank you for your help with this matter.

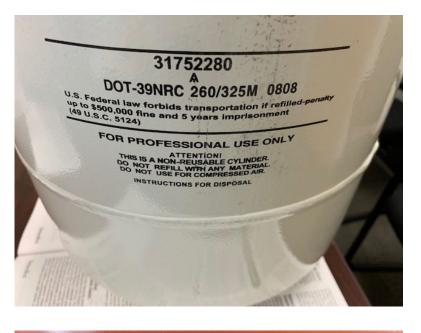
M #	Manufacturer	Address	CA or Tracking Number	Independent Inspection Agency	Specification	Former Name	Status	Expiration Date
M0806	Zhejiang Ansheng Mechanical Manufacture Co. Ltd.	No. 811 Jinsha Street, Linjiang Industrial Park, Wuchengarea Jinhua City, Zhejiang Province, China	CA200809002 1	Authorized Testing, Inc.	DOT-39		Good Standing	7/5/2022
M0807	Shanghai Tianhai Composite Cylinder Co., Ltd.	No. 2058 Laiyin Road, High -Tech Park, Jiuting Town, Songjiang District, Shanghai, China 201615	CA200809001 7	Arrowhead Industrial Services	DOT-SP 14621		Good Standing	2/10/2022
M0808	Sanjiang Kaiyuan Co. Ltd.	No.899 Yingbin Avenue Lanxi City, Zhejiang Province China	CA200810001 2	Authorized Testing, Inc.	DOT-39		Good Standing	4/14/2024
M0809	Bhiwadi Cylinder Pvt. Ltd.	E-925, 1200 & 1201, Industrial area Phase III, Bhiwadi, Rajasthan, India	CA200809002 0	Bureau Veritas (India) Private Limited	DOT-39		Good Standing	3/21/2024
	Kuancheng Tianhai Pressure Container	West Mountain Root, Xiao Longxumen Village, Long Xumen Town, Kuancheng	C7500806005	Arrowhead Industrial Services	DOT-3AA	Beijing Tianhai		



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