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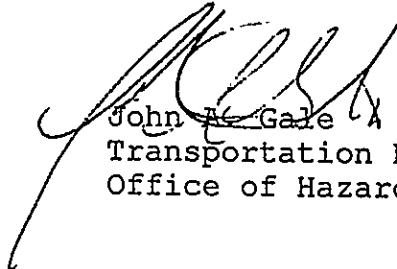
Dear Mr. Foglio:

This is in response to your letter dated August 31, 1998, regarding the requirement to indicate the packaging type on shipping papers in accordance with the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180). Specifically you ask whether you may describe your intermediate bulk containers as "boxes" or "crates" on a shipping paper.

The answer is yes. The type of packaging and destination marks may be entered in any appropriate manner before or after the basic description. Terms such as "boxes" or "crates" may be used to express types of packagings on a shipping paper (§ 172.202(c)).

I hope this satisfies your request.

Sincerely,



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MESSAGE

~~left message~~Re: Type of package
in shipping description

We ship ~~various~~ hazardous materials in different type packages including intermediate bulk containers. Our IBCLs are always shipped in full trailer or container loads. ~~various~~ They are described as 20 Boxes and further in the body 20 crates at 1000 Kg. each. Is this an approved method of describing the type of package on the shipping document that governs the movement from our plant or warehouse to the pier for export? Please advise.

Regards John FOGGIO
