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(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI)
Aviation Management Directorate
Boise, ID

(See Appendix A to this document for a list of additional grantees)

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

- a. This exemption provides relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), whereby DOI and other government agencies under contract to DOI and agencies named in Appendix A, may use aircraft that are under their operational control of DOI and USDA Forest Service (FS). This exemption provides no relief from the 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 Subchapter C except as specified herein.

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5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of DOI dated July 25, 2002, submitted in accordance with § 107.109 and additional letters dated March 14, 2003, May 12, 2003 and April 12, 2004.
6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Hazardous materials authorized by this exemption are limited to materials authorized to be transported by motor vehicle in conformance with 171-180.	as appropriate	as appropriate	as appropriate

Note:

- (1) All Class 1 explosives must have been properly classed and approved in accordance with 49 CFR prior to packaging and offering for transportation by aircraft.
- (2) All Class 2 compressed gases must be properly filled and packaged in DOT-specification cylinders in accordance with 49 CFR.
7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: All aircraft and personnel operating under the terms of this exemption must be in compliance with the requirements of the DOI/USDA-Forest Service May 2004 "Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Guide/Handbook" on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals (OHMEA).
8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:
- a. A current copy of the Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook described above and the Emergency Response Guide (ERG) must be carried aboard each aircraft transporting hazardous materials.
- b. A current copy of this exemption, the Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook, and the Emergency Response Guide (ERG) must be maintained at each facility where the hazardous materials are offered or reoffered for transportation.

c. All aircraft operated under this exemption must be under a government contract and under the exclusive direction and operational control of the DOI or FS for the purposes of emergency transportation of firefighter and natural resource personnel and their equipment.

d. At least one person (other than the aircraft pilot) knowledgeable of the risks associated with the hazardous materials being shipped and trained in emergency response procedures must accompany each aircraft shipment, except when all hazardous materials are transported in a jettisonable-external load.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo aircraft only.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: See paragraph 8 above.

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 the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken

under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incident involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



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Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.
Attention: DHM-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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The following are hereby granted party status to this exemption based on their application(s) submitted in accordance with § 107.107 or § 107.109, as appropriate:

Company Name City/State	Application Date	Issue Date	Expiration Date
CDF Aviation Management Unit McClellan, CA	Oct 17, 2003	Nov 06, 2003	Feb 28, 2005
Department of Forestry & Fire Protection McClellan, CA	Oct 17, 2003	Nov 06, 2003	Feb 28, 2005
Idaho Department of Lands Coeur d'Alene, ID	Sep 18, 2002	Mar 24, 2003	Feb 28, 2005
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Grand Rapids, MN	Jul 26, 2002	Mar 24, 2002	Feb 28, 2005
State of Alaska, Division of Forestry Palmer, AK	Apr 11, 2003	Apr 11, 2003	Feb 28, 2005
The Idaho Department of Fish & Game Boise, ID	Nov 07, 2002	Mar 24, 2002	Feb 28, 2005
USDA Forest Service Washington, DC	Jul 29, 2002	Mar 24, 2002	Feb 28, 2005



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