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(ELEVENTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 2005

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: The Department of Defense (DOD)  
Fort Eustis, VA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
  - a. This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of certain motor vehicles, fixed wing aircraft, helicopters, air cushioned vehicles/boats and power boats with fuel tanks 3/4 full instead of 1/4 full. In addition, the fueled vehicles are authorized to be transported with battery cables connected if the holds or compartment of a vessel in which vehicles are loaded are mechanically ventilated. This exemption provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (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 § 176.905, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of DOD dated June 26, 2003, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous materials description -- proper shipping name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Engines, internal combustion, including when fitted in machinery or vehicles	Class 9	UN3166	N/A

7. PACKAGING: The "vehicle" (which may include fixed wing aircraft, helicopters and air cushioned vehicles/boats and power boats) must comply with all applicable requirements of 49 CFR except that the fuel tank may not be more than 3/4 full. Battery cables may be connected if the holds or compartments of the transporting vessel are mechanically ventilated.

a. For containerized vehicles or equipment:

(1) The battery cables must be disconnected and secured to prevent sparks or ignition; and

(2) The container must be stowed in a mechanically ventilated hold or compartment or stowed above deck.

b. Additional fuel may be carried on vehicles in DOD or DOT Specification 5 gallon packagings provided that:

(1) The packagings are secured in the vehicles in built-in cradles designed for such a purpose; or

(2) The packagings are carried in vehicles using standard DOD securing procedures.

This paragraph does not apply to diesel fuel, which may be carried in any packaging meeting DOD specifications.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. Cargo vessels that transport hazardous materials under this exemption must be:

(1) Under the exclusive control of the Military SeaLift Command; or

## (2) Other vessels, provided-

(a) Preparation of the shipment, loading, stowage, and unloading are under the oversight and control of Defense Department personnel; and

(b) The shipment is escorted by a team of Defense Department personnel who are familiar with the cargo and cargo operations as described in subparagraph 8.a.(2)(a).

b. The marking requirements of §§ 172.301(c) and 172.302(c) are waived.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo vessel.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each cargo vessel used to transport the vehicles covered by this exemption.
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 Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

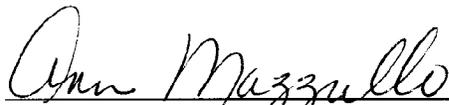
Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

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.

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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.

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