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DOT-E 8697
(EIGHTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: May 31, 2004

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Era Helicopters
Anchorage, Alaska

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

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

a. This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of liquefied petroleum gas in amounts that exceed the quantity limitations for transportation by cargo aircraft only in the State of Alaska. This exemption provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (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 § 172.101 column (9B) in that the quantity limitation for cargo aircraft only is exceeded and § 175.30(a)(1) except as specified herein.

5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of Era Helicopters dated October 16, 2002, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	**Hazard Class/ Division**	**Identi- fication Number**	**Packing Group**
Petroleum gases, liquefied *or* Liquefied petroleum gas	2.1	UN1075	N/A
Propane *also see* Petroleum gases, liquefied	2.1	UN1978	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: Packagings prescribed are DOT specification 4B240, 4BA240, and 4BW240 cylinders.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

b. When packages are transported by use of slings or other means underneath a helicopter, all supporting members (ropes, cables, etc.) and cylinder attachments must be adequate to withstand, with a safety factor of 4, the maximum "g" loading imposed in transportation.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo aircraft only.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each cargo aircraft only used to transport packages covered by this exemption. The shipper must furnish a current copy of this exemption to the air carrier before or at the time the shipment is tendered.

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:

- 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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Robert A. McGuire
for Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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
P.A.R.C. Eielson AFB, AK	Jan 08, 2003	Jan 21, 2003	May 31, 2004
Pathfinder Aviation Homer, AK	May 22, 2002	Jun 18, 2002	May 31, 2004
TEMSCO Helicopters, Inc. Ketchikan, AK	May 15, 2004	JUN 7 2004	Apr 30, 2006

for Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety