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DOT-E 13285

EXPIRATION DATE: January 31, 2006

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: EP Container Corporation  
Cerritos, CA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS:
  - a. This exemption authorizes the manufacture, marking, sale and use of a UN4G fiberboard box as the outer packaging for lab pack applications in accordance with § 173.12(b). 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 § 173.12(b) in that transportation by cargo vessel is not authorized and in that a UN4G packaging is not authorized as an outer packaging for lab packs, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the applications of EP Container Corporation dated August 1, 2003, submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

<b>Hazardous Material Description</b>			
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	<b>Hazard Class/ Division</b>	<b>Identification Number</b>	<b>Packing Group</b>
Waste hazardous materials classed as Class or Division 3, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 6.1, 8, or 9, which are authorized to be shipped in lab packs in accordance with § 173.12(b). *	3, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 6.1, 8, or 9.	As appropriate	I, II, or III as appropriate

\*See Paragraph 7(c) of this exemption for restrictions on authorized materials.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Packaging prescribed is a UN4G fiberboard box fitted with a 5 mil polyethylene film bag liner. The box is constructed of double-wall, corrugated fiberboard and fabricated according to the description in the Lansmont Corporation test report S-54562 dated May 30, 2003, submitted with EP Container's application and on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals. The gross weight of the completed package may not exceed 148 kg (325 pounds).

b. TESTING - The box, filled to 95% of capacity with a solid material must be satisfactorily tested in accordance with §§ 178.603 and 178.606 at the Packing Group II performance level. In addition, the packaging must be capable of withstanding the vibration standard described in § 178.608.

c. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS - Materials meeting the definition of Division 6.1, Packing Group I, or Division 4.2, Packing Group I; and bromine pentafluoride; bromine trifluoride; chloric acid; and oleum (fuming sulfuric acid) may not be shipped under the terms of this exemption.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. In accordance with the provisions of Paragraph (b) of § 173.22a, persons may use the packaging authorized by this exemption for the transportation of the hazardous materials specified in paragraph 6, only in conformance with the terms of this exemption.

- b. A person who is not a holder of this exemption, but receives a package covered by this exemption, may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is offered for transportation in conformance with this exemption and the HMR.
  - c. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.
  - d. Each packaging manufactured under the authority of this exemption must be either (1) marked with the name of the manufacturer and location (city and state) of the facility at which it is manufactured or (2) marked with a registration symbol designated by the Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals for a specific manufacturing facility.
  - e. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is manufactured under this exemption. It must be made available to a DOT representative upon request.
  - f. MARKING: In addition to the markings required by § 178.503, each box must be plainly and durably marked "DOT-E 13285" on a contrasting background.
9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle and cargo vessel.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each motor vehicle and cargo vessel used to transport packages 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 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 this 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 also inform the AAHMS, in writing, as soon as practicable of any incidents involving the package and shipments made under this exemption.

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Hazardous Materials Safety

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