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U.S. Department
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**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 9198
(FOURTEENTH REVISION)

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: (See individual authorization letter)
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This special permit provides relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), whereby DOI and other government agencies under contract to DOI and agencies on file in Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals (OHMSPA), may use aircraft that are under their operational control of DOI and USDA Forest Service (FS). This special permit provides no relief from the HMR other than as specifically stated herein.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
 - c. Unless otherwise stated herein, this special permit consists of the special permit authorization letter issued to the grantee together with this document.
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.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of DOI dated February 25, 2005, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.

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 special permit 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 special permit must be in compliance with the requirements of the DOI/USDA-Forest Service January 2005 "Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Guide/Handbook" on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals (OHMSPA).

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 special permit, 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. For helicopter field operations loaded or reloaded under the direct supervision of an agency employee trained in accordance with the Handbook/Guide.

c. All aircraft operated under this special permit must be under a government contract and under the exclusive direction and operational control of the DOI or FS for the purposes of a government function such as national defense, intelligence missions, firefighting, search and rescue, law enforcement or biological or geological resource management.

d. Vendors shall operate in accordance with this special permit and Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook, in lieu of their approved manual.

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 special permit 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 special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
 - o Persons operating under the terms of this special permit 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 special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this special permit, including display of its number, when the special permit has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)- 'The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005' (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous

materials transportation law by changing the term 'exemption' to 'special permit' and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 - Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 - Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. Attention: PHH-31.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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