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**Pipeline and Hazardous  
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 13997  
(SECOND REVISION)

**EXPIRATION DATE: October 31, 2011**

1. GRANTEE: Maritime Helicopters, Inc.  
Homer, AK
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
  - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of propane in DOT specification 51 portable tanks exceeding the weight limitations authorized for shipment by cargo aircraft. This special permit provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (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.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 172.101(9B) in that the quantity limitation for Propane by cargo aircraft is exceeded; and § 172.302(c) in that marking the portable tanks with the special permit number is waived.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Maritime Helicopters, Inc., dated April 16, 2007, submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Materials Description	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Propane	2.1	UN1075	n/a

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: PACKAGING - Packagings prescribed are DOT specification 51 portable tanks with a capacity of 120 gallons.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. The portable tank must be properly secured as an jettisonable-external sling load.

b. The marking requirement in § 172.302(c) is waived.

c. Transportation is authorized only for remote locations within the State of Alaska. The flight path must be over a non-populated area.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo aircraft only.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

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

b. Advance Notice of FAA Civil Aviation Security Regional Dangerous Goods/Cargo Security Coordinator (DG/CS). Notify the regional DG/CS Coordinator in the region where the flight will originate. This notification must be given at least 48 hours in advance of plans to operate under the special permit, unless prior arrangements have been made with the cognizant regional DG/CS Coordinator. The notification will include the point of departure and destination and a loading and departure schedule.

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

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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 this 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

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involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for Theodore L. Willke  
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building PHH-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D.C. 20590.

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](http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm)  
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