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U.S. Department
of Transportation

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**Pipeline and
Hazardous
Materials Safety
Administration**

DOT-SP 3004
(NINTH REVISION)

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: (See individual authorization letter)
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of certain 2.1 and 2.2 material in a non-DOT specification cylinder. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (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 §§ 173.302a and 175.3 in that non-DOT specification cylinders are not authorized, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Department of Defense dated May 31, 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
Argon, compressed	2.2	UN1006	N/A
Hydrogen, compressed	2.1	UN1049	N/A
Nitrogen, compressed	2.2	UN1066	N/A
Oxygen, compressed	2.2	UN1072	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Packaging prescribed are non-DOT specification sampling cylinders having a capacity not exceeding 373 cubic inches fabricated in compliance with details included in International Control Corporation drawings 250150 and 250185 or Cosmodyne Corporation drawings 2700205, 2700506, 2700509, 2700211, 2700215, 2700305, 2700306. Each sampling cylinder must be equipped with a frangible disc safety device as detailed on Fike Metal Products Corporation drawing A-1140 or on Cosmodyne Corporation drawing 2600054 on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals (OHMSPA). Cylinders must be capable of withstanding a pressure of 5,000 pounds per square inch without bursting and may be charged with argon, hydrogen, nitrogen, or oxygen, to a pressure not exceeding 500 pounds per square inch. The burst pressure of the frangible disc safety device must not exceed 660 pounds per square inch.

b. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS - The sampling cylinders must be packed in formed fiberglass cases, cushioned with resilient packing material in strong outside boxes such as, but not limited to, wood, fiberboard, plastic or aluminum.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A person who is not a holder of this special permit who receives a package covered by this special permit may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.

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

c. Transportation of Division 2.1 (flammable gases) are not authorized aboard aircraft unless specifically authorized in the Hazardous Materials Table (§ 172.101).

d. Transportation of oxygen by aircraft is only authorized when in accordance with § 172.102(c)(2) Special Provision A52 and §§ 175.85(h) and (i).

e. Packagings permanently marked 'DOT-E 3004', prior to October 1, 2007 may continue to be used under this special permit for the remaining service life of the packaging or until the special permit is no longer valid. Packagings marked on or after October 1, 2007 must be marked 'DOT-SP 3004'.

f. Shipping papers displaying 'DOT-E 3004' may continue to be used until October 1, 2007, provided the special permit remains valid.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle, rail freight, cargo aircraft only, and passenger-carrying aircraft (see paragraphs 8(c) and (d) for restriction).

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each 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.

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

Issued in Washington, D.C.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Ryan Parker". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "R" and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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
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20590. Attention: PHH-31.

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