

Research and Special Programs Administration

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DOT-E 10524

- 1. Occidental Chemical Corporation, Pasadena, Texas, is hereby granted an emergency exemption from certain provisions of this Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to offer a package prescribed herein of a nonflammable gas for transportation in commerce subject to the limitations and special requirements specified herein. This exemption authorizes the one-time shipment of chlorine in a DOT Specification 105A500W tank car tank with a defective safety relief valve equipped with a Chlorine "C" kit, and provides no relief from any regulations other than as specifically stated.
- 2. <u>BASIS</u>. This emergency exemption is based on Occidental Chemical Corporation's application of December 21, 1990, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.113, and a determination that it is necessary for protection of life.
- 3. <u>HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (Descriptor and class)</u>. Chlorine, classed as a non-flammable gas.
- 4. PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 172.101). Chlorine.
- REGULATION AFFECTED. 49 CFR 173.31(b) and 179.102-2.
- 6. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Rail freight.
- 7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES.
 - a. Packaging prescribed is a DOT Specification 105A500W tank car tank, UTLX 27728, with a defective safety relief valve, which has been equipped with a Chlorine "C" kit to prevent the emission of chlorine vapors.
 - b. The manway protective housing cover while opened must be chained or otherwise fastened so that it cannot change position during transportation.
- 8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
 - a. Shipment must be made between Clorox, Los Angeles, California and DX Systems, Fontana, California, a distance of approximately 40 miles, using the most direct route available (UP-San Bernardino-SP).

- b. The tank car must be marked "DOT-E 10524" in letters at least four inches high on a contrasting background above the DOT specification number.
- c. The Federal Railroad Administration is to be notified if any unusual incident, such as a derailment or exterior tank damage, occurs during the movement by contacting the:

Federal Railroad Administration Office of Safety, RRS-12 400 Seventh Street S.W. Washington D.C. 20590 (202) 366-9178 or 366-0549

- d. Persons who receive packages covered by this exemption may reship them pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 173.22a.
- 9. <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.</u> Any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure must be reported to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety as soon as practicable.
- 10. EXPIRATION DATE. April 1, 1991.

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