

January 11, 2007



U.S. Department
of Transportation

400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 13135
(SECOND REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2010

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Space Systems/Loral
Palo Alto, CA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of a Space Systems/Loral FS-1300 series satellite assembly containing non-DOT specification pressure vessels pressurized with certain Division 2.2 materials up to 2,000 psig. 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. The safety analyses did not consider the hazards and risks associated with consumer use, use as a component of a transport vehicle or other device, or other uses not associated with transportation in commerce.
 - c. Party status will not be granted to this special permit.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.

4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 173.302 in that non-specification packaging is not authorized, except as provided herein.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Space Systems/Loral dated January 11, 2007, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.
6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Material Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Argon, compressed	2.2	UN1006	N/A
Helium, compressed	2.2	UN1046	N/A
Nitrogen, compressed	2.2	UN1066	N/A
Xenon, compressed	2.2	UN2036	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Prescribed packagings are non-DOT specification pressure vessels which are part of a Space Systems/Loral FS-1300 series satellite assembly described in SS/L's application on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approval (OHMSPA). The containers are Pressurant Tanks (Loral Part Nos. E137830-01, E137830-02 and E137830-04): Aluminum Alloy 6061-T6 cylinders with graphite-epoxy composite (T1000) overwrap, fitted with metal bosses at each end. The tanks are 13 inches in diameter and 39 inches long, designed and tested for a working pressure of 4000, 2700 and 2700 psig per SS/L Specifications E125301, E172856 and E245929 and information provided in SS/L's application on file with the OHMSPA. The tanks may not be charged to a pressure exceeding 2,000 psig during transportation.

b. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS: The satellite must be shipped in the Satellite Container Shown on SS/L drawing 37957 on file with the OHMSPA.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

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

b. The satellite shipping container must be marked "DOT-SP 13135" on two opposite sides in letters at least 2 inches in height on the contrasting background.

c. Packagings permanently marked 'DOT-E 13135', 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 13135'.

d. Shipping papers displaying 'DOT-E 13135' 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 vessel, cargo aircraft only, and passenger-carrying aircraft.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each cargo vessel, aircraft or motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this special permit. The shipper must furnish a current 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.:



for Bob Richard
Deputy Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

January 11, 2007

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

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