

U.S. Department of Transportation

Research and Special Programs Administration DOT-E 11206 (FIRST REVISION) 400 Seventh Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20590

EXPIRATION DATE: July 31, 1998

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR SECTION 107.105)

- 1. GRANTEE: Western Atlas International, Houston, TX
- 2. <u>PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:</u> This exemption authorizes the use of a plastic bag as an alternative inner packaging for certain Division 1.1D and 1.4D detonating cords and provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated herein.
- 3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
- 4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR Section 173.62(c), Packing Method E-124 and PPR 33.
- 5. <u>BASIS.</u> This exemption is based on Western Atlas International's application dated May 2, 1996 submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.105.
- 6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR 172.101):

Hazardous materials description/proper shipping name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification number	Packing Group
Cord, Detonating	1.1D	UN 0065	II
Cord, Detonating	1.4D	UN 0289	II

7. PACKAGING AND SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

- a. In addition to the inner packaging specified in 173.62(c), Packing Method E-124, static-resistant plastic bags of at least 3 mil thickness which must be sealed with a plastic cable tie are authorized as an inner packagings.
- b. Detonating cord segments packaged in the plastic bags shall not exceed 12 inches in length each.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

Persons who receive the packages covered by this exemption may reoffer them for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the packagings, all terms of this exemption are complied with and a current copy of this exemption is maintained at each facility from which such reoffering occurs.

9. <u>MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED.</u> Motor vehicle, cargo vessel, cargo-only aircraft, and passenger-carrying aircraft used to transport personnel to remote work sites.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

A copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each cargo vessel, aircraft or motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this exemption. In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR Part 107, Appendix B to Subpart B, paragraph 3, the shipper shall furnish a copy of this exemption to the air carrier before or at the time the shipment is tendered.

- 11. <u>COMPLIANCE</u>. Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law 49 U.S.C. 5101 <u>et seq</u>.
 - o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
 - o Registration required by 49 CFR 107.601 <u>et seq.</u>, when applicable.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect unless a regulation has been amended making the exemption no longer necessary.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (49 CFR 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incidents involving fire, explosion or the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:

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

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