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Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

DOT-SP 15615 (FIRST REVISION)

FOR RENEWAL SEE § 107.109

1. GRANTEE: (See individual authorization letter)

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of UN0336 Fireworks in UN4G packaging with a capacity greater than 450 liters. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.

b. The safety analyses performed in the development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with the 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. <u>REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED</u>: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
- 4. <u>REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED</u>: 49 CFR § 171.8 in that the definition of a non-bulk packaging limits packagings for solids (including articles) to a capacity of 450 liters.
- 5. <u>BASIS</u>: This special permit is based on the application of American Promotional Events, Inc. - East d/b/a TNT Fireworks dated March 30, 2012 submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon and additional information of July 5, 2012.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Fireworks	1.4G	UN0336	II

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

- a. PACKAGING
 - i. The prescribed packaging is a certified UN4G fiberboard box exceeding 450 L.
 - ii. The completed packaging may not exceed 250 kg.
 - iii. The packagings shall be subject to periodic design requalification at least once every 12 months.
 - iv. The packaging must conform to the construction standards of § 178.930, except that walls, including top and bottom, must have a minimum puncture resistance of 5 Joules.

b. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS -

- i. Only fireworks that have a valid EX number approval may be packaged and shipped under the terms of this special permit.
- ii. Fireworks must be in inner packagings suitable for retail sale. Unfinished products are prohibited.
- iii. Plastic-wrapped boxes and plastic bags are suitable inner packagings.
- iv. The packages must be marked, labeled, and/or placarded in accordance with Part 172 Subparts D, E, and F as applicable for Large Packagings.

v. The permit holder must submit to the Approvals and Permits Division a design qualification report for the package successfully passing the non-bulk packaging tests of Part 178 Subpart M prior to the first shipment under this Special Permit.

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 modification or change is 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. The package must be plainly and durably marked "DOT-SP 15615" as specified in §§ 172.301(c) and 172.302(c).

- 9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor Vehicle.
- 10. <u>MODAL REQUIREMENTS</u>: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this special permit.
- 11. <u>COMPLIANCE</u>: 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 <u>et seq</u>:
 - All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
 - 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 <u>et seq</u>., 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. <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</u>: 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.:

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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. Continuation of DOT-SP 15615 (1st Rev)

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