

The period from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 1:30 p.m., with appropriate breaks, will be set aside on Tuesday, March 25 to hear presentations from sponsors or proponents of maglev projects such as those mentioned in the conference report. Any such project, in order to be considered, should be based on full scale high-speed maglev technology capable of near term application. Sponsors or proponents of projects representing low speed applications, or projects where there is no evidence of public sector interest, should not apply for permission to give a presentation. Sponsors or proponents of projects representing tests of technologies that are not yet fully developed may contact Mr. Harding to discuss whether a presentation would be appropriate.

Persons interested in giving a presentation should contact John Harding, of the Federal Railroad Administration (phone: 202 632-3387/ fax: 202 632-3854) in order to be given a time on the scheduled program. Presentations will not be accepted on a "walk in" basis, although, if there is sufficient time, there may be opportunity for comments from the public other than in the scheduled presentations.

Presentations should contain information describing the project, public and private sponsorship, any studies of revenues, costs, and benefits, proposed means of financing, and national significance. Facilities for overhead and 35mm slide projection will be provided. Twelve hard copies of the presentation and accompanying literature should be provided by the presenter for use of the MSAC and staff.

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Jolene M. Molitoris,
Administrator.

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Research and Special Programs Administration

Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Exemptions

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

ACTION: List of applicants for exemptions.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's

Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Part 107, Subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. Each mode of transportation for which a particular exemption is requested is indicated by a number in the "Nature of Application" portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 27, 1997.

ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: Dockets Unit, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the exemption application number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the applications (See Docket Number) are available for inspection at the New Docket Management Facility, PL-401, at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW. Washington, DC 20590.

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
11832-N	RSPS-97-2130	Air Liquide Corp., Houston, TX.	49 CFR 172.203, 173.318, 173.320.	To authorize the manufacture, mark and sale of a non-DOT specification portable tank for use in the transportation of helium, refrigerated liquid, Division 2.2. (mode 1).
11834-N	RSPA-97-2131	Ashland Chemical Co., Dublin, OH.	49 CFR 173.173, 173.202.	To authorize the transportation of Division 3 and 5.1 material in UN 1A2/Y1.4/100 openhead steel drums as part of a mechanical application system. (modes 1, 2).

NOTE: Correction, Trinity Industries, Inc. application notice published on Wednesday February 5, 1997 FR Vol. 62, No. 24, Page 5506, should have appeared as Trinity Industries, Inc., Dallas, TX, modes 1, 2, and 3.

- (1) To modify the exemption to provide for an additional container equipped with side discharge for use in transporting certain blasting agents.
- (2) To modify the exemption to provide for an additional motor vehicle, equipped with specific diesel-operated heating equipment, for use in the transportation of certain Class 3 liquids or gases.
- (3) To modify the exemption to provide for Division 2.2 and 5.1 as additional classes of hazardous material to be unloaded with the physical presence of an unloader.
- (4) To modify the exemption to increase the service life to 24 years, increase the retest schedule to 7 years and eliminate the marking requirement on non-DOT specification welded stainless steel cylinders.

This notice of receipt of applications for new exemptions is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1806; 49 CFR 1.53(e)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 19, 1997.

J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals.

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Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Modification of Exemptions or Applications to Become a Party to an Exemption

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

ACTION: List of applications for modification of exemptions or applications to become a party to an exemption.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application

for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Part 107, Subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. This notice is abbreviated to expedite docketing and public notice. Because the sections affected, modes of transportation, and the nature of application have been shown in earlier Federal Register publications, they are not repeated here. Requests for