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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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 August 24, 2000.

ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: Records Center, 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: 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 or at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

This notice of receipt of applications for new exemptions is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 19, 2000.

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Exemptions Program Officer, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals.

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
12481-N	RSPA-00-7594	Trac Regulator Co., Inc., Mt. Vernon, NY.	49 CFR 173.306	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a specially designed device consisting of non-specification outer packaging for use in transporting various hazardous materials. (modes 1, 2)
12491-N	RSPA-00-7595	PPG Industries, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA.	49 CFR 171.12(b)(5), SP T17.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of dichlorophenyl isocyanate, Division 6.1 in IM 101 portable tanks. (modes 1, 3)
12492-N	RSPA-00-7593	Honeywell International Inc., Morristown, NJ.	49 CFR 173.304	To authorize the transportation in commerce of liquefied gas, n.o.s., Division 2.2 in DOT-3AL 1800 cylinders. (modes 1, 2, 3)
12493-N	RSPA-00-7579	Caroline Power & Light Co, Southport, NC.	49 CFR 174.67(i) & (j)	To authorize rail cars to remain attached to unloading devices during intermittent unloading of chlorine, Division 2.3 without the physical presence of an unloader. (mode 2)
12495-N	RSPA-00-7603	South Carolina Electric & Gas Co., Jenkinsville, SC.	49 CFR 171, 172, 173	To authorize the transportation in commerce of radioactive material packages, Class 7, from one facility to another using state road that would be transported as essentially unregulated. (mode 1)
12497-N	RSPA-00-7604	Henderson International Technologies, Inc., Richardson, TX.	49 CFR 173.302(a)(1), 173.314(c).	To authorize the frame mounting and manifolding to a motor vehicle of seamless steel tank cars tanks made in conformance with DOT Specification 107A for the transportation in commerce of certain Division 2.2 gases. (mode 1)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33904]

Thomas Z. Mars—Continuance in Control Exemption—Sunflour Railroad, Inc.

Thomas Z. Mars (Mars), an individual, has filed a notice of exemption to continue in control of the

Sunflour Railroad, Inc. (SFR), upon SFR's becoming a Class III railroad.

The transaction is scheduled to be consummated on July 31, 2000.

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 33903, *Sunflour Railroad, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Soo Line Railroad Company*, wherein SFR seeks to acquire from Soo Line Railroad Company and operate an approximately 26.3-mile rail line extending from Rosholt to Veblen, SD.

Mars currently controls one existing Class III railroad: Denver Rock Island

Railroad (DRI), operating in the State of Colorado.

Mars states that: (i) The rail lines to be operated by SFR and DRI do not connect; (ii) the transaction is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would result in such a connection; and (iii) the transaction does not involve a Class I carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory