

**SUMMARY:** This document announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS) are eligible for importation into the United States because (1) they are substantially similar to vehicles that were originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States and that were certified by their manufacturer as complying with the safety standards, and (2) they are capable of being readily altered to conform to the standards.

**DATES:** The closing date for comments on the petition is August 18, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to the docket number and notice number, and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590. [Docket hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.] Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202–366–3151).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable FMVSS shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable FMVSS.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition.

At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

US SPECS of Aberdeen, Maryland (Registered Importer 03–321) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether non-U.S. certified 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles that U.S. SPECS believes are substantially similar are 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles that were manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States and were certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable FMVSS.

The petitioner claims that it carefully compared non-U.S. certified 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles to their U.S. certified counterparts, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most FMVSS.

US SPECS submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that non-U.S. certified 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles, as originally manufactured, conform to many FMVSS in the same manner as their U.S. certified counterparts, or are capable of being readily altered to conform to those standards.

Specifically, the petitioner claims that non-U.S. certified 1999–2006 Suzuki GXS1300R motorcycles are identical to their U.S. certified counterparts with respect to compliance with Standard Nos. 106 *Brake Hoses*, 116 *Brake Fluid*, 119 *New Pneumatic Tires for Vehicles other than Passenger Cars*, and 122 *Motorcycle Brake Systems*.

The petitioner further contends that the vehicles are capable of being readily altered to meet the following standards, in the manner indicated below:

Standard No. 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment*: inspection of all vehicles and replacement of the following with U.S.-model components on vehicles not already so equipped: (a) Headlamps; (b) tail lamps; (c) front and rear turn signal lamps; (d) front and rear side-mounted reflex reflectors; rear-mounted reflex reflector; and (e) left handlebar-mounted lighting control switch assembly.

Standard No. 111 *Rearview Mirrors*: inspection of all vehicles and modification or replacement of any non-U.S.-model components as necessary to conform to this standard.

Standard No. 120 *Tire Selection and Rims for Vehicles other than Passenger*

*Cars*: installation of a tire information placard.

Standard No. 123 *Motorcycle Controls and Displays*: installation of a U.S.-model speedometer, or modification of the speedometer so that it reads in miles per hour.

Standard No. 205 *Glazing Materials*: inspection of all vehicles, and removal of noncompliant glazing or replacement of the glazing with U.S.-model components on vehicles that are not already so equipped.

Comments should refer to the docket number and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. It is requested but not required that 10 copies be submitted.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above address both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

**Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Application for Special Permits**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of Applications for Special Permits.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein. Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit 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 18, 2006.

*Address Comments to:* Record Center, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety 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 special permit number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC or at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

This notice of receipt of applications for special permit 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 13, 2006.

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**NEW SPECIAL PERMITS**

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of special permits thereof
14366-N .....	.....	The Boeing Company, Huntington Beach, CA.	49 CFR 173.62, 173.302, and 173.185.	To authorize the one-way transportation in commerce of the Orbital Express ASTRO satellite containing explosives, lithium batteries and helium in alternative packaging by motor vehicle from California to Florida. (mode 1).
14372-N .....	.....	Landmark Aviation, Los Angeles, CA.	49 CFR 173.301(a)(1); 173.304 .....	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain non-DOT specification cylinders of foreign manufacture used as components (fire extinguishers) in aircraft. (modes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5).
14373-N .....	.....	Zippo Manufacturing Corporation, Bradford, PA.	49 CFR 173.308, 175.10, 175.30, 175.33.	To authorize the transportation of lighters in specially designed packaging for transportation by passenger-carrying aircraft. (mode 5).
14374-N .....	.....	Union Carbide Corporation, Midland, MI.	49 CFR 173.211 .....	To authorize the transportation in commerce of Division 4.3 hazardous material in non-DOT specification cylinders. (modes 1, 2, 3).
14375-N .....	.....	EaglePicher, Joplin, MO .....	49 CFR 173.56, 173.62 .....	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain Division 1.1A explosives in a solution of ethanol and water when transported in a specially designed packaging configuration by motor vehicle. (mode 1).
14376-N .....	.....	BIC Consumer Products Manufacturing Co. Inc., Milford, CT.	49 CFR 171.8, 172.102, SP 168, 173.21(i) and 173.308.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of unapproved scrap lighters in various stages of final manufacturing containing Division 2.1 flammable gas by motor vehicle only for purposes of disposal. (mode 1).
14377-N .....	.....	Department of Energy, Washington, DC.	49 CFR 173.417(a)(1)(i) .....	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain radioactive materials that use an alternative method of calculating the Criticality Safety Index for transportation by motor vehicle. (mode 1).
14378-N .....	.....	Dominion Nuclear, Connecticut, Inc., Waterford, CT.	49 CFR 173.403, 173.427(b)(1) .....	To authorize the one-time transportation in commerce of a Class 7 surface contaminated object in alternative packaging. (modes 1, 3).

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

**Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Modification of Special Permit**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of Applications for Modification of Special Permit.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has

received the application 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. Request of modifications of special permits (e.g., to provide for additional hazardous materials, packaging design changes, additional mode of transportation, etc.) are described in footnotes to the application number. Application numbers with the suffix "M" denote a modification request. These applications have been separated from the new application for special permits to facilitate processing.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before August 3, 2006.

*Address Comments to:* Record Center, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety 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 special permit number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC or at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

This notice of receipt of applications for modification of special permit 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)).

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**MODIFICATION SPECIAL PERMITS**

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Modification of special permit	Nature of special permit there-of
10785-M .....	.....	Thermo Electron Corporation, Sugar Land, TX.	49 CFR 173.301(a)(1); 173.302a, 175.3.	10785	To modify the special permit to authorize the transportation in commerce of a Division 2.2 material in non-DOT specification packaging.
11447-M .....	.....	SAES Pure Gas, Inc., San Luis Obispo, CA.	49 CFR 173.187 .....	11447	To modify the special permit to authorize the transportation in commerce of certain Division 4.1 materials in two (2) additional non-DOT specification packagings.
11513-M .....	.....	ATK Thiokol, Brigham City, UT	49 CFR 172.101 .....	11513	To modify the special permit to authorize transportation of additional Class 1 propellant samples, and wet cut propellant in non-DOT specification containers.
11579-M .....	.....	Austin Powder Company .....	49 CFR 177.848(e)(2); 177.848(g)(3).	11579	To modify the special permit to authorize the transportation of additional Division 1.4, 1.5, 5.1, & Combustible materials and the use of several DOT Specification and non-DOT specification bulk packagings.
12247-M .....	RSPA-99-5490.	Weldship Corporation, Bethlehem, PA.	49 CFR 172.301; 173.302a(b)(2), (b)(3) and (b)(4); 180.205(c) and (g) and 180.209(a).	12247	To modify the special permit to authorize ultrasonic testing of DOT-SP 9001, 9370, 9421, 9706, 9791, 9909, 10047, 10869, and 11692 cylinders.
12274-M .....	RSPA-99-5707.	Snow Peak, Inc., Clackamas, OR.	49 CFR 173.304a(d)(3)(ii) .....	12274	To modify the special permit to authorize the transportation in commerce of an additional Division 2.1 material in non-DOT specification nonrefillable inside containers.