

To assure opportunity for public participation in the international regulatory development process, DOT and NRC are soliciting comments and information pertaining to the draft proposed changes to the IAEA regulations. Submitted comments will be reviewed and added to the draft if considered appropriate by DOT and NRC staff. Comments added to the proposed draft do not constitute a decision to revise SSR-6 (Rev. 1).

The focus of this solicitation is to identify issues or concerns with a proposed revised draft of SSR-6 (Rev. 1). Comments requesting changes to paragraphs that do not already have proposed changes in the linked draft will not be considered. That draft (number DS543) can be found online at <https://www.iaea.org/resources/safety-standards/draft-standards-for-ms-comment>.

The IAEA requests that any proposal for a change in SSR-6 (Rev. 1) should demonstrate that the proposed change is:

- Required to ensure safety and to protect people, property, and the environment from harmful effects of ionizing radiation during the transport of radioactive material.
- Needed to define or redefine the level of protection of people, property, and the environment from harmful effects of ionizing radiation during the transport of radioactive material.
- Required for consistency within SSR-6 (Rev. 1).
- Required as a result of advances in technology.
- Needed to improve implementation of SSR-6 (Rev. 1).

The IAEA also requests that a submission of an identified problem in SSR-6 (Rev. 1) for which new text is not proposed should also demonstrate a clear link to the criteria outlined above. Comments and proposed changes should reference the particular paragraphs of concern in SSR-6 (Rev. 1).

This information, and any associated discussions, will assist DOT in examining the full range of views and alternatives as the Agency develops proposals to be submitted to the IAEA for consideration. DOT has not yet fully harmonized its U.S. regulations with the 2012 and 2018 editions of SSR-6. DOT

will follow its normal rulemaking procedures in any action to harmonize requirements for domestic and international transportation of radioactive materials. This call for input to the IAEA process is separate from any future or current domestic rulemakings.

II. Public Participation

PHMSA and the NRC are jointly seeking comments on issues concerning the changes they have drafted to the requirements in SSR-6 (Rev. 1). The IAEA is considering revisions to the SSR-6 (Rev. 1) regulations as part of its periodic review cycle for a new edition of those requirements. Proposals must be submitted in writing (electronic file in Microsoft Word format preferred).

DOT and NRC will review the proposed issues and identified problems. Proposed issues and identified problems from all Member States and International Organizations will be initially considered at the IAEA Transport Safety Standards Committee (TRANSSC) Meeting to be convened by IAEA on June 10-14, 2024, in Vienna, Austria. The subsequent meeting of TRANSSC, to be held in November 2024, will determine whether the aggregate of the accepted proposed changes amounts to a change in requirements that is important in terms of safety. If this is the case, a revision of SSR-6 (Rev. 1) will be initiated by the IAEA. If there is no safety imperative, the issues agreed upon will be considered during the next review cycle scheduled to start in 2027.

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Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for New Special Permits

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), 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, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 10, 2024.

ADDRESSES: 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: Donald Burger, Chief, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety General Approvals and Permits Branch, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building, PHH-13, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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.

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, East Building, PHH-13, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington DC.

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 February 15, 2024.

Donald P. Burger,
Chief, General Approvals and Permits Branch.

SPECIAL PERMITS DATA

Application No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of the special permits thereof
21623-N	Evergreen Goodwill of Northwest Washington.	172.600, 172.201, 172.300, 172.702, 172.400, 172.500.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of hazardous materials intermingled with non-hazardous materials that have been donated at remote donation sites as not subject to the requirements of the HMR. (mode 1).

SPECIAL PERMITS DATA—Continued

Application No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of the special permits thereof
21701-N	Shijiazhuang Enric Gas Equipment Co., Ltd.	173.302a(b)(2), 173.302a(b)(3), 173.302a(b)(4), 173.302a(b)(5), 180.205(c), 180.205(f), 180.205(g), 180.205(i), 180.209(a).	To authorize the requalification of DOT 3A, 3AA, 3AX, 3AAX, 3T and UN ISO 11120 cylinders by Acoustic Emission and Ultrasonic Examination (AE/UE) method in place of the internal visual inspection and the hydrostatic test method. (modes 1, 2, 3).
21704-N	KULR Technology Corporation	172.700(a), 172.200, 173.185(b).	To authorize the manufacture, mark, sale, and use of specially designed thermal runaway shield (TRS) packagings for the transportation in commerce of end-of-life lithium-ion cells and batteries and lithium metal cells and batteries and those contained in and packed with equipment shipped for recycling, reuse, refurbishment, repurposing or evaluation. (modes 1, 2).
21711-N	Maserati North America, Inc ...	172.101(j)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of lithium ion batteries exceeding 35 kg by cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4).
21712-N	Apple Inc	172.101(j)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of lithium batteries exceeding 35 kg by cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4).
21713-N	Lockheed Martin Corporation	173.301(f)(1), 173.302(a)(1) ...	To authorize the transportation in commerce of non-DOT specification cylinders containing compressed neon installed in a spacecraft. (mode 1).
21716-N	Kraken Robotics US Inc	172.101(j), 173.185(a)(1)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of prototype and low production lithium ion batteries aboard cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4).
21718-N	UFP Packaging, LLC	178.935(c)(1)	To authorize the manufacture, mark, sale, and use of UN 50D large packagings that have a volumetric capacity greater than 3,000 liters. (modes 1, 3).
21719-N	ERCO Worldwide (USA) Inc ...	172.302(c), 173.26, 173.314(c), 179.13(b).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of tank cars containing chlorine in quantities that exceed the specified limits. (mode 2).
21721-N	WAE Technologies Limited	172.101(j)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of lithium batteries exceeding 35 kg by cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4).
21722-N	Olin Winchester LLC	172.301(c), 173.56(a)(2), 173.56(b).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of Class 1 materials that have not been approved in accordance with 49 CFR 173.56(b). (modes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5).
21723-N	LeoStella LLC	173.185(a)(1), 173.302a	To authorize the transportation in commerce of satellites containing low production lithium batteries and non-DOT specification cylinders filled with xenon by motor vehicle and cargo-only aircraft. (modes 1, 4).
21726-N	Towa Industries, Inc	173.6, 173.6(a)(1), 173.6(a)(1)(ii).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of battery powered generators under the materials of trade exception. (mode 1).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for Modification to Special Permits

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: List of applications for modification of 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, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 26, 2024.

ADDRESSES: 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: Donald Burger, Chief, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety General Approvals and Permits Branch, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of

Transportation, East Building, PHH-13, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4535.

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