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| EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2003 |
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1. GRANTEE: Akzo Nobel Coatings, Inc.
Norcross, GA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of an existing inventory of approximately 80,000 fiberboard boxes that were inadvertently printed with the incorrect size hazard warning labels. This exemption provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 172.407(c)(1) in that the labels do not meet the prescribed size specifications; and § 172.301(c) in that the marking requirement is waived.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of Akzo Nobel Coatings, Inc., dated December 19, 2001 submitted in accordance with § 107.109 and additional information dated January 14, 2002.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

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| Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Materials Description | Hazard Class/ Division | Identi- fication Number | Packing Group |
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| Paint or Paint related material | 3 | UN1263 | III |

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

PACKAGING - The packaging consists of metal cans in a range of sizes from one-quart up to one-gallon with two, three or four of them placed in a fiberboard box in conformance with § 173.173. The fiberboard boxes are an existing inventory of approximately 80,000 that were inadvertently printed with hazard warning labels that do not conform with the size specifications in § 172.407(c)(1).

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

b. Each label on each box is not required to meet the size specifications of 100mm square as required in § 172.407(c)(1), but must be at least 72mm square.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle, rail freight and cargo vessel.10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: No additional requirements other than as required by the HMR.11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:

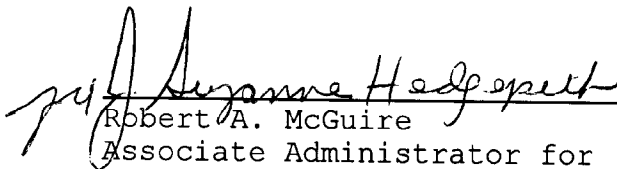
- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
- o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when this exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incident involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:


Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.
Attention: DHM-31.

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