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SUBJECT: Renewed Hazmat Special Permit: DOT-SP-9198 (Sixteenth Revision)

DISTRIBUTION: All Aviation Users

ISSUE: The U.S. Department of Transportation's Special Permit Authorization DOT-SP 9198 regarding carriage of hazardous materials (hazmat) aboard aircraft under the control of DOI has been renewed. The DOI permit has an expiration date of July 31, 2018. Copies of the current Special Permit Authorization and the Sixteenth Revision of the DOT-SP 9198 are attached.

DISCUSSION: As a reminder, DOT-SP-9198 requires:

1. A current copy of the *Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials (IATHM) Handbook/ Guide*, dated January 2005, and the *Emergency Response Guide* (ERG) must be carried aboard each aircraft transporting hazardous materials.
2. A current copy of the special permit, the IATHM handbook/guide, and the ERG must be maintained at each facility where the hazardous materials are offered or reoffered for transportation. For helicopter field operations, material must be loaded or unloaded under the direct supervision of an agency employee trained in accordance with the handbook/guide.
3. All aircraft operated under this special permit must be Government owned or under a Government contract and under the exclusive direction and operational control of the DOI for the purposes of a Government function such as firefighting, search and rescue, law enforcement or biological/ geological resource management.
4. Vendors under operational control of the DOI shall operate in accordance with this special permit and the IATHM handbook/guide, in lieu of their FAA-approved Hazmat manual.
5. All personnel who perform a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this permit.

Chief, Division of Technical Services
Office of Aviation Services
U.S. Department of the Interior

2 Attachments:
(1) Sixteenth Revision of the DOT-SP 9198
(2) Special Permit Authorization DOI DOT-SP 9198

December 7, 2011

U.S. Department
of Transportation

**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

East Building, PHH – 30
1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20590

DOT-SP 9198
(SIXTEENTH REVISION)

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: (See individual authorization letter)

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

a. This special permit provides relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), in that government agencies under contract to DOI and agencies on file in Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals (OHMSPA), may use aircraft that are under their operational control. This special permit provides no relief from the HMR other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.

b. The safety analyses performed in development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.

c. Unless otherwise stated herein, this special permit consists of the special permit authorization letter issued to the grantee together with this document.

3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.

4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 173.7(f) in that an aircraft may be under the direction and control of the government for less than 90 days under the conditions provided herein.

5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration's (PHMSA) editorial review under § 107.121 initiated on February 13, 2009.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	**Hazard Class/ Division**	**Identi- fication Number**	**Packing Group**
Hazardous materials authorized by this special permit are limited to materials authorized to be transported by motor vehicle in conformance with 171-180.	As Appro- priate	As Appro- priate	As Appro- priate

Notes:

(1) All Class 1 explosives must have been properly classed and approved in accordance with 49 CFR prior to packaging and offering for transportation by aircraft.

(2) All Class 2 compressed gases must be properly filled and packaged in DOT-specification cylinders in accordance with 49 CFR.

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: All aircraft and personnel operating under the terms of this special permit must be in compliance with the requirements of the DOI/USDA-Forest Service January 2005 "Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Guide/Handbook" on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals (OHMSPA).

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A current copy of the Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook described above and the Emergency Response Guide (ERG) must be carried aboard each aircraft transporting hazardous materials.

b. A current copy of this special permit, the Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook, and the Emergency Response Guide (ERG) must be maintained at each facility where the hazardous materials are offered or reoffered for transportation. For helicopter field operations loaded or reloaded under the direct supervision of an agency employee trained in accordance with the Handbook/Guide.

c. All aircraft operated under this special permit must be under a government contract and under the exclusive direction and operational control of the DOI or FS for the purposes of a government function such as national defense, intelligence missions, firefighting, search and rescue, law enforcement or biological or geological resource management.

d. Vendors shall operate in accordance with this special permit and Interagency Aviation Transport of Hazardous Materials Handbook, in lieu of their approved manual.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo aircraft only.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: See paragraph 8 above.

11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 *et seq*:

- All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.

- Persons operating under the terms of this special permit must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.

- Registration required by § 107.601 *et seq*., when applicable.

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

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

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) - 'The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005' (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term "exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:

for Dr. Magdy El-Sibaie
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building PHH-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D.C. 20590.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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SPECIAL PERMIT AUTHORIZATION

DOT-SP 9198

EXPIRATION DATE: July 31, 2018

GRANTEE: U.S. Department of the Interior,Office of Aviation Services
Boise, ID

In response to your August 20, 2014 application for renewal of DOT-SP 9198, the grantee status to DOT-SP 9198 for U.S. Department of the Interior,Office of Aviation Services is hereby renewed in accordance with 49 CFR § 107.109.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm. The most recent revision of the special permit supersedes all previous revisions of the special permit. Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

If you have questions regarding this action please call the Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals at (202)366-4535.

Issued in Washington D.C. on **September 18, 2014**.

for Dr. Magdy El-Sibaie
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety