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EXPIRATION DATE: **January 31, 1998**

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR SECTION 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Howard Industries, Inc.
Columbus, Ohio

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION: This emergency exemption authorizes the one-time transportation in commerce of 14 truckloads (600,000 lbs.) of non-DOT specification paper bags containing Lithium hydroxide monohydrate, UN 2680. This exemption provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated herein.

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

4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: The marking requirements in 49 CFR 172.301(c) and 173.212(c) in that non-DOT specification packaging is authorized.

5. BASIS: This emergency exemption is based on the application of Howard Industries, Inc. dated November 17, 1997, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.117 and the determination that it is necessary to prevent significant economic loss.

6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR 172.101):

Hazardous materials description -- proper shipping name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi-fication Number	Packing Group
Lithium hydroxide monohydrate	8	UN2680	II