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SUMMER KEEPS ON COOKING and the DOT hazmat transportation news keeps on happening. Welcome to *The Hazmat News Network*. This is a free publication provided by REGULATORY RESOURCES, INC. to help you in your hazardous materials and waste packaging and transportation activities.

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I now that a lot of you have access to the internet and have email address. If you do, please email me your address so I can send you the newsletter via your screen rather than a tree. Also, it keeps my costs down which help me to maintain this publication at its "I can't believe it's free" rate.



HERE ARE SOME GOOD ADDRESSES to get the Federal Registers and other data. I've only listed a few. I'll try to list others in upcoming issues. If you have an internet address that's a real good source for info (ah free info), send me an email and I'll include it in upcoming issues. Hey, we all can use the info. But, please don't send me addresses that advertise your company. This is for tech and reg info only. Thanks!!

1. Federal Register (FR) Table of Contents:
<http://gopher.nara.gov:70/1/register/toc>
2. FR: <http://thorplus.lib.purdue.edu:80/gpo/GPOAccess.cgi>
3. FR: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aaces002.html
4. DOT: <http://hazmat.dot.gov>
5. EPA Q&A: <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hotline/inides.htm>
6. MSDS Info:
<http://www.chem.uky.edu/resources/msds.html>

DOCKET ACTIVITY SLOWED A LITTLE IN AUGUST.

Here's what's been happening.

- August 5th: FHWA published a NPRM seeking comments on a proposal to amend the regulations governing the exam to determine the physical condition of drivers. Comments are due by 11/3/98.
- August 6th: RSPA published public notice and invitation to comment on a preemption determination against Broward County, Florida by the Association of Waste Hazardous Materials Transporters. Comments are due by 9/21/98.
- August 10th: EPA is correcting and amending in a final rule some of the regulations for wastes generated by the organobromine industry. The rule has varying effective dates.
- August 12th: FHWA is extending and reopening for comment for Docket FHWA-97-2979, Transportation of Household Foods. You now have until 10/13/98.

- August 18th: RSPA published a NPRM, docket HM-215C, "Harmonization with 'International' Regulations." In this proposal, RSPA is also consolidating docket HM-217 (Labeling Requirements for Poisonous Material). Make sure to read this and provide your comments to RSPA no later than 10/2/98.

- August 20th: FHWA published a notice to announce the dates for the advisory committee meetings to negotiate recommendations for alternative safety standards for unloading cargo tanks motor vehicles in liquified compressed gas service.

IN NEED OF DOT OR EPA OPERATIONS TRAINING?

Well look no more. RRI is pleased to announce we are delivering basic, advanced, and speciality courses and workshops. Below are the dates for delivery, abbreviated title, location, and contact number.

- 9/2-4: Basic DOT Rad by Highway & Air; Orlando, FL; 800-634-1598
- 10/21-25: Adv DOT & Texas HazWst Pkg & Trans; Amarillo, TX; 509-628-1020
- 10/19-23: RCRA & Texas State HazWst Operations; Amarillo, TX; 509-628-1020
- 10/26-30: Basic DOT HazMat, HazWst and Radioactive; Richland, WA; 509-372-7482
- 11/30-12/4: Adv DOT HazWst Pkg & Trans; Richland, WA; 509-372-7482
- 12/8: DOT Intrastate Regs (MOTs and Agriculture); Richland, WA; 509-372-7482
- 1/19-21/99: Transportation of Environmental Samples; Richland, WA; 509-372-7482
- 2/22-26: Adv DOT Rad Pkg & Trans; Richland, WA; 509-372-7482
- 3/22-26: Advanced Transportation Compliance for Inspectors/Enforcement; Richland, WA; 509-372-7482

CONFUSION EXISTS FOR NEW WASTES defined as

"Universal Wastes". Universal Waste consists of all batteries, mercury thermostats, and some pesticides; the most common being batteries. Under the EPA Universal Waste exception (40 CFR 273), batteries can be managed for recycle in such a manner that they are no longer RCRA hazardous waste. This means no Manifest, "Hazardous Waste" marking, EPA codes, etc. BUT remember, the exception granted by the EPA has no bearing on the transport requirements of DOT. If the battery is DOT regulated (lead acid, lithium, etc.) it must be properly packaged, marked, labeled, and a shipping paper prepared. Don't use the word "Waste" in the shipping name! Remember, it's not a RCRA waste, only a DOT hazmat.