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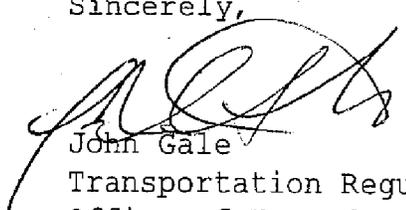
Dear Mr. Russell:

This is in response to your letter dated July 27, 1999, regarding permissive placarding under § 172.502(c) of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180). Specifically, you ask whether it is permissible to display a COMBUSTIBLE placard with the identification (ID) number 1993, a CORROSIVE placard and a DANGEROUS placard on a transport vehicle containing 10,400 pounds of non-bulk packagings containing combustible liquids and 90 pounds of a Class 8 material in non-bulk packagings.

The answer is yes. A COMBUSTIBLE placard is not required for combustible liquids in non-bulk packagings (§ 172.500(b)(6)). However, a placard may be displayed for a hazardous material, even when not required, provided the placarding is carried out in conformance with Part 172, Subpart F. A shipper that offers a non-bulk shipment of a hazardous material that does not require display of the ID number may still provide a placard with the ID number displayed thereon, as long as the ID number is representative of the material being shipped.

I hope this satisfies your inquiry.

Sincerely,



John Gale

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RSPA Headquarters

Director Edward Mazullo

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Dear Director Mazullo:

Note: Try to
handle by phone.

Please advise if the scenario detailed below is a permissive placarding situation.

A transport vehicle carrying:

10,400 pounds non-bulk combustible liquid

90 pounds class 8 non-bulk

Is it permissive to placard the vehicle:

Class 3 placard displaying 1993

Class 8 placard and

Dangerous placard

Sincerely,



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