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Subject: Hazmat Special Permit: DOT-SP-9198

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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 and the USDA Forest Service has been renewed. The DOI and USFS have different expiration dates on the DOT-SP 9198; the DOI has an expiration date of January 31, 2015 and the Forest Service has an expiration date of March 31, 2014. Copies of the current Special Permit Authorizations (DOI & USFS) and the Fifteenth 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 or FS 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 and USFS 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

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3 Attachments

1. Fifteenth revision of the DOT-SP 9198
2. Special Permit Authorization DOI DOT-SP 9198
3. Special Permit Authorization USFS DOT-SP 9198