

**Subpart B—General Procedures****§ 105.15 Defined terms used in this subpart.**

The following defined terms (see subpart A of this part) appear in this subpart: Approval; Exemption; Federal hazardous material transportation law; Hazardous material; Hazardous materials regulations; Indian tribe; Preemption determination; State; Transportation; Waiver of preemption

## OBTAINING GUIDANCE AND PUBLIC INFORMATION

**§ 105.20 Guidance and interpretations.**

(a) *Hazardous materials regulations.* You can obtain information and answers to your questions on compliance with the hazardous materials regulations (49 CFR parts 171 through 180) and interpretations of those regulations by contacting PHMSA's Office of Hazardous Materials Safety as follows:

(1) Call the Hazardous Materials Information Center at 1-800-467-4922 (in Washington, DC, call (202) 366-4488). The Center is staffed from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. After hours, you can leave a recorded message and your call will be returned by the next business day.

(2) E-mail the Hazardous Materials Information Center at [infoctr@dot.gov](mailto:infoctr@dot.gov).

(3) Obtain hazardous materials safety information via the Internet at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov>.

(4) Send a letter, with your return address and a daytime telephone number, to: Office of Hazardous Materials Standards, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Attn: PHH-10, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(b) *Federal hazardous materials transportation law and preemption.* You can obtain information and answers to your questions on Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 *et seq.*, and Federal preemption of State, local, and Indian tribe hazardous material transportation requirements, by contacting PHMSA's Office of the Chief Counsel as follows:

(1) Call the office of the Chief Counsel at (202) 366-4400 from 9 a.m. to 5

p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays.

(2) Access information from the Office of the Chief Counsel via the Internet at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov>.

(3) Send a letter, with your return address and a daytime telephone number, to: Office of the Chief Counsel, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Attn: PHC-10, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(4) Contact the Office of the Chief Counsel for a copy of applications for preemption determinations, waiver of preemption determinations, and inconsistency rulings received by PHMSA before February 1, 1997.

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**§ 105.25 Reviewing public documents.**

PHMSA is required by statute to make certain documents and information available to the public. You can review and copy publicly available documents and information at the locations described in this section.

(a) *DOT Docket Management System.* Unless a particular document says otherwise, the following documents are available for public review and copying at the Department of Transportation's Docket Management System, Room PL 401, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, or for review and downloading through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

(1) Rulemaking documents in proceedings started after February 1, 1997, including notices of proposed rulemaking, advance notices of proposed rulemaking, public comments, related FEDERAL REGISTER notices, final rules, appeals, and PHMSA's decisions in response to appeals.

(2) Applications for exemption numbered DOT-E 11832 and above. Also available are supporting data, memoranda of any informal meetings with applicants, related FEDERAL REGISTER notices, public comments, and decisions granting or denying exemptions applications.

(3) Applications for preemption determinations and waiver of preemption determinations received by PHMSA after February 1, 1997. Also available are public comments, FEDERAL REGISTER notices, and PHMSA's rulings,