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**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

September 30, 2009

Mr. Mike Tobin
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Alaska Airlines
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Seattle WA 98168

Dear Mr. Tobin:

This is in response to your May 14, 2009 application for Special Permit DOT-SP 14860 requesting authorization for the transportation in commerce of cylinders of compressed oxygen and oxidizing gases without rigid outer packaging when no other means of transportation exist..

In accordance with 49 CFR 107.113(e) and (g), your application is partially denied for the following reason(s):

We understand the need for relief from certain overpack requirements for medical oxygen in remote locations but the need for other oxidizing gases has not been justified.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (202) 366-4535.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Willke".

for Theodore L. Willke
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety