

**NUMBER: 2009-02A**

**TITLE: Written Extension for DOT Approval CA2002120008**

**PRODUCTS AFFECTED: REMUS 100**

**INTRODUCTION:** The Competent Authority Approval, CA2002120008, that allows for shipping the REMUS 100 vehicles with Hydroid batteries 102455 expires 4-30-2009. U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has issued a written extension to permit operation under the terms of the expired approval until a final decision on the application for renewal has been made.

**DETAILS:** The Competent Authority Approval, CA2002120008, that allows for shipping the REMUS 100 vehicles with Hydroid batteries 102455 expires 4-30-2009. A formal request for renewal was submitted to U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on 18 January 2009. That request for renewal is still being processed. As an interim measure to allow Hydroid and its customers to continue shipping REMUS 100 vehicles with batteries DOT has issued a written extension to permit operation under the terms of the expired approval until a final decision on the application for renewal has been made, in accordance with 49CFR Ch1, Part 107.705 Sub Para (c). There is no expiration date on the extension and Hydroid will again inform all customers of the final outcome of the request for renewal of the authorization.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Continue to operate under the terms of the Competent Authority Approval, CA2002120008 and include a copy of the attached extension letter along with the Approval CA2002120008 on all shipments.

**REVISION HISTORY:**

A. 29 July 2009 – Previous extension letter from U.S. DOT was incorrect in that the referenced approval number was missing a zero. That letter was reissued by the U.S. DOT and is attached. Please replace the previous letter dated 30 April 2009 and replace with the attached letter dated 16 July 2009.



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**Pipeline and Hazardous  
Materials Safety Administration**

07/16/2009

Ms. Ellie Rumble  
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Dear Ms. Rumble:

An application was submitted by George Kerchner on January 18, 2009 for renewal of Competent Authority Approval CA2002120008; the CA has an expiration date of April 30, 2009.

In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR 107.705(c) since the application was filed in a timely manner, your company may continue to operate under the terms of the expired Competent Authority Approval until a final decision is made on the renewal application.

If you have additional questions contact the Office of Hazardous Materials, Office of Special Permits and Approvals at 202-366-4511.

Sincerely,

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

For Theodore L. Willke  
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety