## NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

Chapter 7

Subchapter 7F

CFR Revision 123B

Field Information System

Standards Improvements for General Industry and Construction Standards

Explosives and Blasting Agents, 29 CFR 1910.109

## **Final Rule, Corrections and Revisions**

## DISCUSSION:

On June 18, 1998, federal OSHA promulgated a final rule that corrected or eliminated provisions from various standards (<u>63 FR 33449-33469</u>). These changes were made to correct out of date, duplicative, unnecessary, or inconsistent standards.

One of the changes concerns transporting explosives and blasting agents (Ref: 29 CFR 1910.109). Paragraph (d)(1)(iv) is amended to permit the transportation of blasting caps on the same vehicle with other explosives if it can be done in accordance with U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations at 49 CFR 177.835(g)(3)(i).

Another change concerns reusing uncontaminated containers and packaging materials that contained explosives (Ref: 1910.109). Paragraph (e)(2)(i) is amended to permit the reuse of uncontaminated containers and packaging materials that contained explosives if this can be accomplished in accordance with certain criteria contained in DOT regulations at 49 CFR 173.28.

## ACTION:

The June 18, 1998, corrections and revisions (63 FR 33449-33469) were adopted verbatim with an effective date of October 8, 1998. The applicable portions of the

referenced Federal Register are attached.

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