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Subject:	Cylinders		

Dear Mr. Stanford,

This is to advise you that the requirement for a pressure relief device (PRD) in ICAO Packing Instruction 200 (PI 200) does not apply to non-refillables which meet the applicable exceptions in 49 CFR 173.306 and are not required to have a PRD under 49 CFR. Since the ICAO PI 200 also allows cylinders other than UN cylinders approved by the competent authority to be used, and the non-refillables you describe are in accordance with the 49 CFR, they are also therefore permitted by PI 200. The same holds true for DOT 39 NRCs with an approval number of M9802, and all other authorized DOT cylinders not required to have PRDs.

I hope this information is helpful.

Best Regards,

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