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San Diego County Emergency Medical Services Office  
5560 Overland Ave, Suite 400  
San Diego, CA 92123  
Attention: Andrew (Andy) Parr, EMS Administrator

Dear Mr. Parr:

This is in response to your letter dated October 13, 2025, in which you requested an exemption from regulatory requirements. In accordance with the provisions of Title 13, California Code of Regulations (Title 13 CCR), Section 1108(a), the California Highway Patrol grants American Medical Response, Mercy Medical Transportation Inc, and Falck Mobile Health Corporation, operating in San Diego County the following exemption from Title 13 CCR, 1103(e).

The above-mentioned emergency ambulance operators are hereby exempted from requirements to carry a spare wheel with inflated tire in their fleet of ambulances. The exemption applies only while the emergency ambulance operators have in place an effective alternate method to ensure the continued safe transportation of any ambulance occupants should the vehicle become disabled.

This exemption is effective January 01, 2026, through January 01, 2027, unless rescinded or terminated for cause. This exemption is not transferable and shall expire upon change of ownership or control of the ambulance service. To avoid any delays or lapsed periods, requests for exemption renewals should be submitted a minimum of one month prior to the expiration date of this current exemption. A copy of this exemption letter shall be carried in each ambulance. If you require further assistance in this matter, please contact the Regulated Special Purpose Vehicle Coordinator at (916) 843-3440.

Sincerely,

H. D. SCHOER  
Commander  
Research and Planning Section

cc: San Diego Area, Officer D. Newell

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