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Packaging Research in the Transportation of Lithium and Lithium-ion Batteries

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Abstract:

In response to several incidents involving cargo which contained lithium and/or lithium-ion batteries, FedEx has performed research into various methods of improving the safety of the transportation of batteries. Initial reviews were focused on existing Fire Suppression Systems; however it became evident that enhancements to the battery packaging would be required for some shipments. FedEx has proceeded with the development of a cooling device which cools an individual cell experiencing a thermal event to a temperature below the thermal runaway temperature of adjacent cells and thereby preventing the spread of thermal runaways.