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The reader should find this book a valuable resource for understanding and applying StimGun propellant* technology. Please contact the Propellant Technology Development Group if clarification or further information is needed. Contact information for the members of the Propellant Technology Development Group is included in the Appendix along with the Contributing Authors' Biographies.

* The StimGun family of products are DOT classified as oxidizers (5.1) and not as propellants. For classification purposes, propellants are equivalent to explosives. Therefore throughout this publication, when the term "propellant" is used with regard to StimGun products, it should technically be interpreted in DOT terms to mean "oxidizer, mixture, solid."