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PARAGRAPH 6.8.3.5.11: MARKING OF MEGCs

Proposal by the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI)*

The secretariat has received from the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI) the proposal reproduced below.

Introduction

In correlation with document TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2003/66 (France) and TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2003/68 (UIP), it appears that there is a divergence between RID and ADR in the wording of the right hand column of paragraph 6.8.3.5.11 (particulars on the MEGC plate):

In RID, the fifth and sixth indents are worded as follows:

"- the tank code according to the certificate of approval (see 6.8.2.3.1) with the actual test pressure of the MEGC;

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the proper shipping name of the gases, and in addition for gases classified under an n.o.s. entry, the technical name* of the gases for whose carriage the MEGC is used.

- for UN No. 1078 refrigerant gas, n.o.s: mixture F1, mixture F2, mixture F3;
- for UN No. 1060 methylacetylene and propadiene mixtures, stabilized: mixture P1, mixture P2;
- for UN No. 1965 hydrocarbon gas mixture, liquefied, n.o.s: mixture A, mixture A01, mixture A02, mixture A0, mixture B1, mixture B2, mixture B, mixture C.

The names customary in the trade and mentioned in 2.2.2.3, Classification code 2F, UN No. 1965, Note 1 may be used only as a complement.

In ADR, there is only a fifth indent worded as follows:

"- proper shipping name of substance carried;*

Proposal

Bring 6.8.3.5.11 of ADR into line with 6.8.3.5.11 of RID.

Justification

The RID variant corresponds to the marking requirements for tank-containers intended for the carriage of gases (see 6.8.3.5.6 (a) and (c)). For tank-containers intended for the carriage of substances of other classes, the tank code is also required (see 6.8.2.5.2).

^{*} Instead of the proper shipping name of the n.o.s. entry followed by the technical name, the use of one of the following names is permitted:

^{*} A collective description covering a group of substances of a similar nature and equally compatible with the characteristics of the tank may be given instead of the name."