COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS AND ON THE GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Labelling

Labelling of very small Packagings

Transmitted by the European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)

Background

1. At the Seventh session of the Sub-Committee, CEFIC submitted a paper ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2004/4 concerning the labelling of very small packagings. There was no common understanding reached at the session on the principles that should be considered when determining labelling for such packagings. Cefic was requested to prepare a Detailed Review Document (DRD) on current provisions in existing systems for the labelling of very small packagings in order to identify common elements, and then to report findings back to the Sub-Committee. In the meantime Cefic was requested to provide progress reports to the Sub-Committee.

Progress Report

2. A Detailed Review Document of existing systems will be prepared, and to this end a questionnaire has been elaborated aimed at identifying how the labelling of very small packagings is dealt with in existing systems and the underlying principles. This questionnaire is almost ready to be circulated and an introduction is being written. Once replies have been received, Cefic will report the findings to the Sub-Committee.