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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

Breathing Apparatus designed and constructed to Directive 97/23/EC (PED)

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Introduction

The Government of Sweden has transmitted a proposal in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2007/45 to resolve the issue of the transport of pressure receptacles complying with Directive 97/23/EC. This proposal would ensure that pressure receptacles complying with the Directive 97/23/EC built before 1 January 2009 may be carried in accordance with ADR.

Proposal

The proposal is detailed in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2007/45.

Justification

The justification is detailed in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2007/45. EIGA considers that this proposal formalizes the position of the transport of pressure receptacles complying with directive 97/23/EC. These pressure receptacles are manufactured by processes which are nearly identical to the manufacturing process of pressure receptacles manufactured in accordance with 99/36/EC. Consequently an equivalent level of safety is maintained.

Safety

EIGA considers that the proposal retains the existing level of safety of transport of pressure receptacles.

Feasibility

No difficulties are foreseen.

Enforceability

No difficulties are foreseen in the enforcement of this proposal.