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Listing, classification and packing: proposals of amendments to the list of dangerous goods of Chapter 3.2

Amendments to the proper shipping name for UN 1263

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Introduction

- 1. In the dangerous good list of Chapter 3.2 of the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, UN 1263 has two proper shipping names as PAINT (including paint, lacquer, enamel, stain, shellac, varnish, polish, liquid filler and liquid lacquer base) or PAINT RELATED MATERIAL (including paint thinning or reducing compound).
- 2. In general terms of manufacture and carriage, it is unnecessary to separate proper shipping names as PAINT or PAINT RELATED MATERIAL. Two separated proper shipping names could result in paint-related industries bearing considerable inconveniencies sometimes causing troubles with shipping documents and markings on packages. In a normal way, paint and thinning compound are used and shipped at the same time. The reason is that thinning compound is used to lower viscosity of paint.
- 3. In accordance with paragraph 5.2.1.1 of the Model Regulations on the transport of dangerous goods, the proper shipping names of the dangerous goods shall be displayed on each package as well as shipping documents. For this reason, some of the manufacturers and exporters in the Republic of Korea who want to transport paint and thinner at the same time, have experienced unnecessary complications to display proper shipping names on

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each package and on transport documents separately as PAINT or PAINT RELATED MATERIAL.

- 4. Paint consists of mainly three elements which are resin, pigment and solvent. Thinning compound consists of solvent as well. Thus under the same UN entry, there is no difference between PAINT and PAINT RELATED MATERIAL on the matter of transport requirements by the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.
- 5. This proposal has been submitted to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Sub-Committee on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers at its fifteenth session and the Sub-Committee considered DSC 15/3/15, proposing amendments to the proper shipping name for UN 1263 in order to facilitate the preparation of documents and markings on packagings containing paint and paint related material and agreed that the solution to the concern raised in the proposal could be in using only PAINT RELATED MATERIAL as the proper shipping name. (Refer to DSC 15/WP.1)

Proposal

6. For UN No. 1263, all packing groups amend the name and description in column (2) to read: "PAINT RELATED MATERIAL".

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