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and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification
and Labelling of Chemicals**

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Transport of Dangerous Goods**

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Other business

**Request for consultative status by the European Lamp
Companies Federation (ELC)**

Note by the secretariat

The secretariat has been informed by ELC that the request in INF.35 concerned the Global Light Forum and not ELC itself.

November 15, 2011

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Re: Request for Consultative Status

Application for consultative status

by the Global Lighting Forum represented by the European Lighting Companies Federation

Dear Mr. Kervella,

I am writing to request that the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods approve the Electric Lighting Companies Federation (ELC) as delegate of the Global Lighting Forum for consultative status. This letter provides information on ELC for consideration by the Sub-Committee.

The European Lighting Companies Federation is interested in the question of transport and classification of lighting products containing small amounts of dangerous goods. More detailed information on ELC may be found hereafter and on ELC web site: www.elcfed.org

The president of ELC is also chairman of the Global Lighting Forum which is a forum of peak industry lighting organisations from around the world representing over 5,000 lighting manufacturers and US\$50 billion annual sales. Established in 2007, it is represented in all regions of the world. More detailed information on GLF may be found GLF web site: <http://www.elcfed.org/glf/index.html>

The Sub-Committee is invited to decide whether ELC may participate in its work with a consultative status as representing the interest of the Global Lighting Forum.

ELC is interested in numerous issues before the UN Sub-Committee including, but not limited to, the transport and classification of lighting products. The ELC recently was granted for participation as technical consultancy in the transport and classification of lamps containing small amounts of radioactive material, at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

Information on ELC's activities, objectives, and members see below for the Sub-Committee's review. More detailed information may be found on ELC's web site (www.elcfed.org).

If ELC's application for consultative status is approved, the following individuals would represent ELC before the Sub-Committee:

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Thank you for considering ELC's application for consultative status. If you have questions regarding our application, I can be reached with below contact data.

Yours sincerely,

Jürgen Sturm

Secretary General

European Lamp Companies' Federation

INTRODUCTION

Global Lighting Forum

The Global Lighting Forum is a forum of peak industry lighting organisations from around the world representing over 5,000 lighting manufacturers and US\$50 billion annual sales. Established in 2007, it is represented in various regions by the following regional associations:

- Abilux (Brazil)
- China Association of Lighting Industry - CALI
- Electric Lamp and Component Manufacturers Association – ELCOMA (India)
- European Lamp Companies Federation - ELC
- Japan Electric Lamp Manufacturers Association - JELMA
- Japan Luminaires Association - JLA
- Lighting Council Australia - LCA
- National Electrical Manufacturers Association – NEMA (US)
- Taiwan Lighting Fixture Export Association - TLFEA
- CELMA (Europe) – observer

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Chairman of GLF is the president of European Lighting Companies Federation.

European Lamp Companies Federation

- The Active members consisting of manufacturers of light sources with European headquarters in one of the European Union or EFTA countries
- The Associated members national or regional lighting federations, established in the European Union or one of the EFTA States
- The ELC Board consisting of a Chairman and eight Members. This is the executive of the European Lamp Companies Federation
- The Secretariat in Brussels
- The Working Groups which meet regularly in Brussels

Since decades, active ELC members include leading European lamp manufacturers: Philips Lighting, Osram GmbH, GE Lighting, Havells Sylvania, Aura Light, Venture Lighting Europe, BLV Licht- und Vakuumtechnik GmbH and NARVA Lichtquellen GmbH + Co. KG. These companies account for 95% of total European lamp production.

Since 2005, ELC was actively involved in the adoption of IAEA Transport Specifications TS-R-1 and IAEA Basic Safety Standards to develop adequate regulation for transport of lighting products containing traces of radioactive material. In addition, ELC played an important role in promoting enactment of EU directives and recommendations of the European Union.

More broadly, ELC is in contact with all other lighting manufacturer association covering almost all lighting companies in the world. There are represent a global issue for all manufacuterers. In this way, ELC also works closely with its counterparts in Europe, North and South America and Asia because some global manufacturers are members of more than one regional association.

The Global Lighting Forum:

- shares knowledge of global trends and legislative developments and opportunities in lighting.
- shares information on the activities of individual associations.
- anticipates and initiates policies and actions on areas of common interest.
- seeks opportunities for communicating with government authorities and other stakeholders.
- provides governments with relevant product and market information.
- promotes efficient lighting practice for the benefit of the global environment, human comfort and the health and safety of consumers.
- To monitor, advise and co-operate with legislative bodies in developing European Directives and Regulations of relevance to the European lamp industry.
- To act as the key discussion partner for the European Union (EU), as well as for European Industry federations, such as CELMA (luminaires and ballast), ORGALIME (metalworking, electrical and electronics industry) and UNICE (employers) on all topics concerning light sources.

Current activities:

ESOLi (Energy Saving Outdoor Lighting)

ELC is a project partner with ESOLi.

ESOLi (Energy Saving Outdoor Lighting) is a project funded by the Intelligent Energy Europe program of the European Union. ESOLi aims to increase the awareness of intelligent street lighting and accelerate the use of the best available technologies across Europe. The overall objective of ESOLi is to foster the extended use of intelligent lighting systems in outdoor areas and to remove barriers for a large scale technology roll-out.

RoMS

Roll-Out Member States (RoMS) is a joint ELC-CELMA Working Group to deploy a lighting energy efficient program in the European Union, which works on a two-level basis:

1. Centrally in Brussels, analyzing the EU-related issues and coordinating with other Working Groups to deliver messages and strategies to the member states;
2. Locally, in each Member State where a local Working Group has been set up, contacting the national administrations and other stakeholders (NGOs, the value chain, etc.).

RoMS resources:

To roll out industry messages at the national level and support national lighting representatives (representing a joint CELMA-ELC position) to encourage national governments to create policies, initiatives and support mechanisms that will encourage a market transformation to more energy efficient lighting systems.

Kyoto-Protocol

The ELC Federation has started a new 3-year project in 2007:
'Bottom up to Kyoto (ButK)

Its main aim is to help municipalities 'make the switch' to efficient street & office lighting systems – freeing up funds that would normally be spent on energy to operate inefficient lighting systems.

THE BUY BRIGHT INITIATIVE

Buy Bright is an initiative launched by the ELC that initiated a process to ensure a tailored exchange of experiences looking at practical and workable solutions to help public purchasers and procurement officers make the right purchasing and investments decisions that concern lighting.

The ELC has submitted under the IEE Call for Proposals 2007 a new funding proposal. 'Make the Switch' is a communications and dissemination project that intends to raise awareness of the benefits of energy efficient lighting for the home in 5 EU countries: Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece and Spain

Each year the ELC publishes annual reports highlighting the main events and activities in which the Federation is currently involved:

http://www.elcfed.org/2_about_annual.html

The annual report - THE LAMP – is prepared with the intention to inform the relevant EU institutions, industry associations and other stakeholders of the current and also future activities pursued by the Federation.
