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**Updating of the third revised edition of the Globally Harmonized System
of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS): Physical hazards**

Summary report on the work of the informal group on dust explosion hazards

Transmitted by the expert from the United States of America on behalf of the informal correspondence group

The informal group met on 8 December 2011.

1. The expert from the United States of America reviewed the preferred option to provide guidance on how to communicate dust explosion hazards in section A.4.3.2.3 of the safety data sheet.
2. The process to develop the information that should be included in Annex 4 two workstreams were agreed upon.
 - (a) Workstream 1: review the existing national consensus and reference regulations developed by competent authorities and identify the common pieces of information used to communicate the hazards;
 - (b) Workstream 2: ensure that any information proposed to be included in section 9 should be communicated to the working group on section 9 of Annex 4.
3. The expert from the United States will develop a template for the information to be collected and will reach out the working group members that were unable to attend this meeting. The working group will plan a conference call at the end of February.