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**Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN: pending issues**

**Report of progress of work carried out for a proposal to  
amend test periods for some products of P200**

**Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)**

**Introduction**

1. As the Joint Meeting will recall, EIGA submitted document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2009/31 to the Joint Meeting in September 2009. This document was discussed along with Informal document INF.9 submitted by the European Cylinder Makers Association (ECMA).
2. The result of the discussions as recorded in the report of the meeting was that industry should work together on a new and more detailed proposal, see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/116.

**Work completed**

3. Since the Joint Meeting in September 2009, EIGA has been working on the details of a proposal to amend the test periods of P200. This work is based on the proposal prepared by the group who considered the extension to the test interval for liquefied petroleum gas, and has involved meetings with the European Cylinder Makers Association.
  4. EIGA has carried out detailed reviews of data and as well as consulting with others who are concerned with the periodic inspection and test of pressure receptacles.
  5. The work on the proposal is in the final stages of preparation and the intention of EIGA is to present this to the Joint Meeting in March 2012. EIGA would hope that following this proposal a working group of experts from the Joint Meeting will be formed which can discuss, and further develop, this proposal.
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