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PROPOSAL FOR A CORRECTION OF THE RESTRUCTURED ADR
Missing provision for UN 1649 Motor Fuel Anti-knock Mixture

Information Paper from the Government of the Sweden

Summary

This proposal intends to restore the text of the restructured ADR to bring it in line with the 1999 version.

Proposal

WP.15 is requested to consider the addition of the following text to the restructured ADR (or a similar text to the same effect):

“Whenever UN 1649 is carried in a fixed or demountable tank or a tank-container, the vehicle shall display on each side a warning notice to the effect that, if any liquid escapes, the greatest caution shall be exercised and that vehicle shall not be approached without respirator, gloves and boots of rubber or suitable plastics material.”

This provision could either be inserted in Chapter 3.3 as a Special Provision or since it refers to tanks only as a special provision TU in 4.3.5. Another option would be as a special provision TM in 6.8.4 (e), in which case a concise text for marking should preferably be elaborated (cf. special provisions TM1 and TM2).

Justification

The provision contained in marginal 61 500 (1) of the 1999 version of ADR does not seem to appear in the restructured ADR. Sweden believes this warning notice is of relevance both to rescue workers, police and public and would prefer not to see it getting lost.

It should be noticed that in TP13, which refers to portable tanks for the substance in question, there is a provision to provide for “self-contained breathing apparatus”.

Remark

The suggested text is a slight modification of existing text, but should possibly be further improved upon.

If doing so, it should be considered whether this warning notice should not rather be displayed on the tank itself. Otherwise, after unloading a tank-container there is a risk this notice will not be there any more.

Perhaps “self-contained breathing apparatus” would be the preferred terminology to
