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NEW PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

<u>Subsection 5.4.1. - Addition of information to the transport document</u> for substances carried under PP1

Transmitted by the Government of Italy */

SUMMARY			
Executive Summary:	Re-establish the reference to PP1 on the transport document.		
Action to be taken:	Add entry to the transport document for substances carried under Special Packing Provision PP1.		
Related documents:	None.		

Introduction

Special Packing Provision PP1 of restructured RID/ADR 2005 corresponds in RID 1999 with marginal 308 (4) and in ADR 1999 with marginal 2308 (4). This provision exempts packaging of UN numbers 1133, 1210, 1263, 1866 (PG II and III) from the required performance tests of Chapter 6.1, if the packaging comply with the prescribed conditions.

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The reference to the Special Packing Provision "PP1" no longer appears in the transport document following the decision taken by the Joint Meeting RID/ADR during its session in September 1999. This situation does not allow control authorities to have immediately evidence why the packages are not marked in conformity with Chapter 6.1.3.

Proposal

Introduce in RID/ADR a new subsection 5.4.1.1.18 (or possibly using the reserved subsection 5.4.1.1.12) to be read:

Special provisions related to substances carried under Special Packing Provision PP1.

For carriage of substances in accordance with Special Packing Provision PP1, a statement shall be included in the Transport Document as follows:

"Carriage in accordance with Special Packing Provision PP1".

Justification

The specification of this reference in the transport document is to let control authorities understand why such packages do not show the prescribed markings (see subsection 6.1.3 of RID/ADR), not being tested in accordance with Chapter 6.1.3.

The absence of this reference into the transport document could induce control authorities to believe that the transport is not carried out in accordance with RID/ADR requirements and therefore to sanction accordingly.

Safety implications

None.

Feasibility

The proposed amendment will re-establish the situation of the previous version of ADR/RID and will therefore not lead to problems.

Enforceability

No problem.		