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1. Document ECE/TRANS/WP15.AC.1/2010/27 pretends that SP655 is also used for a serie of gases. We don't have a problem with this proposal in principle. But, while going over this SP655 we detected a problem. SP655 refers to 6.2.1.6.1. saying the following: "...may be carried without conforming Chapter 6.2, provided that they are subject to inspections and tests specified in 6.2.1.6".

6.2.1.6 states in paragraph d) "A hydraulic pressure test and, if necessary, verification of the characteristics of the material by suitable tests".

2. The problem we detected is that, if a pressure test different from a hydraulic pressure test is performed, the equipment wouldn't comply. We want to propose a modification to paragraph d to say the following:

"A hydraulic pressure test or an equivalent test and, if necessary, verification of the characteristics of the material by suitable tests;"

3. This way, for example, the volumetric expansion test (water jacket test) would be also valid.
