**RID/ADR**

Joint Meeting of the RID Safety Committee and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Geneva, 10 – 14 September 2001)

**Placarding**

**Proposal by Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein**

At the Joint Meeting held from 28 May to 1 June, the joint proposal by Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein OCTI/RID/GT-III/2001/29 (TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/29) was adopted in principle (OCTI/RID/GT-III/2001-A), and the two countries were requested to put their proposal into concrete terms.

The representatives of the two countries making the proposal declared themselves willing to make a further proposal to the next Joint Meeting containing amendments to Chapter 5.3. For reasons of openness the amendments for the RID and for the ADR have been presented separately, with the ADR proposal taking into account the exceptions existing under marginal 31500 ADR for particular UN numbers.

**RID proposal**

5.3.1.1.1 "Placards shall be affixed to the exterior surface of the wagon, tank wagon, wagon with demountable tanks, battery wagon, large container, MEGC, tank-container and portable tank. Placards shall correspond to the labels required in column (5) and, where appropriate, column (6) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 for the dangerous goods contained in the wagon, tank wagon, wagon with demountable tank, battery-wagon,
large container, MEGC, tank-container or portable tank and shall conform to the specifications given in 5.3.1.7.”

5.3.1.1.3 “For Class 7, the primary risk placard shall conform to model No.7D as specified in 5.3.1.7.2. This placard is not required for wagons or large containers carrying excepted packages.

Where both Class 7 labels and placards would be required to be affixed to wagons, tank wagons, wagons with demountable tanks, battery wagons, large containers, MEGCs, tank-containers or portable tanks, an enlarged label corresponding to the label required may be displayed instead of placard No.7D to serve both purposes.”

5.3.1.1.4 “a) Wagons or large containers containing goods of more than one class shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.

Wagons or large containers containing goods of more than one class need not bear a subsidiary risk placard if the hazard represented by that placard is already indicated by a primary or subsidiary risk placard.

b) Single-compartment tank-wagons, wagons with demountable tanks, battery-wagons, MEGCs, single-compartment tank-containers or single-compartment portable tanks shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.

c) Multi-compartment tank-wagons, wagons with demountable tanks, multi-compartment tank-containers or multi-compartment portable tanks shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 on each tank compartment.”

5.3.1.2 Add after the first sentence:

“Tank-containers or portable tanks containing goods of more than one class need not bear a subsidiary risk placard at each end if the hazard represented by that placard is already indicated by a primary or subsidiary risk placard.”

ADR proposal

5.3.1.1 “As and when required in this section, placards shall be affixed to the exterior surface of the vehicle, tank-vehicle, demountable tank, battery-vehicle, containers, MEGC, tank-container and portable tank. Placards shall correspond to the labels required in Column (5) and, where appropriate, Column (6) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 for the dangerous goods contained in the vehicle, tank-vehicle, demountable tank, battery-vehicle, container, MEGC, tank-container or portable tank and shall conform to the specifications given in 5.3.1.7.”

5.3.1.3 “For Class 7, the primary risk placard shall conform to model No.7D as specified in 5.3.1.7.2. This placard is not required for vehicles or containers carrying excepted packages and for small containers.

Where both Class 7 labels and placards would be required to be affixed to vehicles, tank-vehicles, demountable tanks, battery-vehicles, containers, MEGCs, tank-
containers or portable tanks, an enlarged label corresponding to the label required may be displayed instead of placard No.7D to serve both purposes.”

5.3.1.4 a) Vehicles or containers containing goods of more than one class shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.

Vehicles or containers containing goods of more than one class need not bear a subsidiary risk placard if the hazard represented by that placard is already indicated by a primary or subsidiary risk placard.

b) Single-compartment tank-vehicles, demountable tanks, battery-vehicles, MEGCs, single-compartment tank-containers or single-compartment portable tanks shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.

c) With the exception of the cases defined in d), multi-compartment tank-vehicles, multi-compartment demountable tanks, multi-compartment tank-containers and multi-compartment portable tanks shall bear the primary and subsidiary risk placards as required in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 on each tank compartment.

d) Multi-compartment tank-vehicles, multi-compartment demountable tanks, multi-compartment tank-containers and multi-compartment portable tanks carrying only substances of UN numbers 1202, 1203, 1223, or aviation fuel classified under UN numbers 1268 or 1863 shall bear one placard No. 3 on each side.”

5.3.2 Add after the first sentence:

“Tank-containers or portable tanks containing goods of more than one class need not bear a subsidiary risk placard at the rear if the hazard represented by that placard is already indicated by a primary or subsidiary risk placard.”

5.3.3 Insert in the title and in the text after “containers”:

demountable tanks”.

5.3.4 Add after the first sentence:

“Vehicles containing goods of more than one class need not bear a subsidiary risk placard at the rear if the hazard represented by that placard is already indicated by a primary or subsidiary risk placard.”