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**CARRIAGE OF UNPACKAGED MATERIAL AND ARTICLES OF CLASS 7**

**Proposal submitted by the Government of the United Kingdom \*/**

**Proposal:**

*In the Table in 3.2.1, insert the following entries in column 17 opposite two entries as shown:*

"UN 2912    VW/VV 15

UN 2913    VW/VV 16"

*In 7.3.3, add the following VW/VV entries:*

"VW/VV 15: Carriage in bulk is permitted in accordance with the provisions of 4.1.9.2.3

VW/VV 16: Carriage in bulk of SCO-I is permitted in accordance with the provisions of 4.1.9.2.3"

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<sup>\*/</sup> Circulated by the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI) under the symbol OCTI/RID/GT/III/2002/36.

**Justification**

This proposal seeks to resolve the problem of two conflicting provisions in RID/ADR concerning the carriage of Class 7.

4.1.9.2.3 permits LSA-I material and SCO-I of UN 2912 and 2913 to be carried unpackaged (ie in bulk) subject to certain specified conditions.

7.3.1, however, states that "goods may not be carried in bulk in wagons/vehicles or containers unless a special provision, identified by the code VW/VV, explicitly authorizing this mode of carriage is indicated in Column (17) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 for these goods and unless the conditions of this special provision are satisfied." At present, there are no VW/VV entries for UN 2912 and UN 2913, and carriage in bulk is, therefore, prohibited.

This proposal creates two VW/VV codes for these item numbers to permit their carriage in bulk in accordance with 4.1.9.2.3.

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