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Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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**REPORTS OF INFORMAL WORKING GROUPS**

**Comments on INF.8E**

**Working group on periodicity of testing of cylinders**

**Transmitted by the Government of Sweden**

Safety motivation to a change

To carry through an extension of the interval with 50% from the normal 10 years to 15 years should not lead to any changes in safety. Sweden would like to see more information on how an extension has influenced the condition of the gas cylinder. It would be preferable if the countries that have this experience could share this information.

If the working group can present information that safety is preserved as the Terms of Reference states (from INF.15 to the Joint meeting in March 2008)

“require the Working Group to continue it’s work and

- ensure, that a high level of safety is achieved being at least equivalent to the level of the current provisions of RID/ADR for the 10-year-interval,”

Sweden is of the opinion that just to state that nothing has happened so far is not good enough.

If the working group is not able to present information on how the high level of safety is preserved, Sweden will take a negative vote to the work of the working group.

Opinion on a possible inclusion of a new provision

But if information is presented, Sweden supports the idea to move parts of P200 regarding LPG to a new packing instruction P20X applicable for LPG only.

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