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INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN) (ADN Safety Committee)

Fourteenth session
Geneva, 26-30 January 2009

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION

Addendum

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1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/29 (Secretariat)     Provisional agenda
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Background documents

ECE/TRANS/203, Vol. I and II             ADN 2009

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2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic Commission for Europe and established practice, the Safety Committee will elect a Chairperson and possibly a Vice-Chairperson.

3. STATUS OF THE EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY INLAND WATERWAYS (ADN)

The ADN entered into force on 29 February 2008. In accordance with ADN Article 11 (1), the annexed Regulations become applicable 12 months after the entry into force of the Agreement, namely on 28 February 2009.

The ADN Administrative Committee at its first session in Geneva on 19 June 2008 (see document ECE/ADN/2, paragraphs 13 to 16), decided unanimously to replace the original Regulations annexed to the ADN (published in 2001 under the symbol ECE/TRANS/150) by those contained in documents ECE/TRANS/190 and -/Corr.1 ("ADN 2007") as modified by documents ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/26, -/Corr.1, and -Add.1 and -/Add.2. On 31 August 2008, the United Nations Treaty Section notified ADN Contracting Parties of this replacement in depositary notification C.N.615.2008.TREATIES-5. Unless at least one third of Contracting Parties object, this replacement will be deemed accepted on 30 November 2008 and will enter into force three months later on 28 February 2009.

The ADN and its annexed Regulations will be issued as a United Nations publication (ECE/TRANS/203) and it is hoped that the publication will be ready in time for the meeting of the Safety Committee.

The nine Contracting Parties to the ADN on 17 November 2009 are Austria, Bulgaria, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Moldova, Netherlands and Russian Federation. Other States (Croatia, Czech Republic, Italy and Slovakia) that signed the Agreement are now expected to ratify it shortly.

According to Directive 2008/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 2008 on the inland transport of dangerous goods, Member States of the European Union, shall, with the exclusion of the derogation provided for in Article 1, paragraph 3 of the
Directive, apply the annexed Regulations as well as Article 3 (f) and (h) and Article 8, paragraphs 1 and 3 of the Agreement to the transport of dangerous goods by inland waterways from 1 July 2009 and at the latest by 30 June 2011.

4. PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN

- ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/1 (Germany) Pump room below deck
- ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/2 (Germany) Table C: UN 2672 AMMONIA SOLUTION
- ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/3 (EBU) Responsibilities of the filler
- ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/4 (EBU) Synthetic ropes

5. INLAND TRANSPORT SECURITY

The Safety Committee is invited to consider the recommendations of the UNECE Multidisciplinary Group of Experts on Inland Transport Security (Informal document No. 4) which were approved by the Inland Transport Committee at its seventieth session, in the light of the comments made by the ITC (ECE/TRANS/200, paras. 36-38).

The attention of the Safety Committee is drawn in particular to the Draft Annex IV to the European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN) (see ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2008/4). The outcome of the discussions of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) in this respect are reflected in the report on its October 2008 session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/181, paras. 15-17).

6. MATTERS RELATING TO THE RECOGNITION OF CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

The Safety Committee may wish to note that the Government of Austria has recognised Lloyds Register and Germanischer Lloyd as classification societies under the Agreement.

The Safety Committee may also wish to take note of the communication from the Government of Luxembourg regarding the recognition of classification societies (Informal document No.3).
7. SPECIAL AUTHORIZATIONS, DEROGATIONS AND EQUIVALENTS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/6 (CCNR) Section 1.5.3 – Equivalents and derogations

Informal document No.6 (CCNR)

8. PROGRAMME OF WORK AND CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

The Safety Committee may wish to note that its next session is tentatively scheduled to be held in Geneva from 24-26 August 2009 and in the morning of 27 August 2009 and the afternoon of 28 August 2009. The third session of the ADN Administrative Committee is scheduled to take place in the afternoon of 27 August 2009 and the morning of 28 August 2009. The deadline for the submission of documents for those meetings is 1 June 2009.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/5 (CCNR) Inerting

Informal document No. 2 (Secretariat) Request from the Federation of European Tank Storage Associations (FETSA) for consultative status

Informal document No. 5 (Secretariat) Request from the International Committee for the Prevention of Work Accidents in Inland Navigation for consultative status

10. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

The Safety Committee may wish to adopt the report on its fourteenth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.