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Agenda item 4

PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN

Section 3.2.3

Table C (Identification Nos. 9005 and 9006)

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SUMMARY

Summary:	The deletion of « N1 » and « N2 » in column 5 of table C for numbers 9005 and 9006 creates the problem that for transport in tank vessels, substances responding to the criteria of category « chronic 3 » can no longer be classified. It is proposed to reintroduce « N2 » for substance numbers 9005 and 9006.
Action required:	Adopt the proposed amendment.
Ref. docs:	WP.15/AC.2/12/INF.4 (12th session); ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/26 (proposed amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN).

Introduction:

1. In document INF.4, protection of the aquatic environment, presented at the 12th session of WP.15/AC.2 you find in column 5 (dangers) of table C for substance numbers 9005 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S, MOLTEN and 9006 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S. the mention : « N1, N2, N3, CMR, F or S ».
2. During the meeting, it was decided to add « 9+ » and to delete « N1 » and « N2 » to end up with: « 9+(N3, CMR, F or S) » (doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/26). This was justified by the fact that the assignment criteria for groups N1 and N2 are covered by UN Nos 3077 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S., MOLTEN and 3082 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.
3. This is relevant for the criteria of categories « acute 1 », « chronic 1 » and « chronic 2 ».
4. The problem appears for substances responding to the criteria of category « chronic 3 ». By virtue of 2.2.9.1.10.1, these substances may not be assigned to UN Nos. 3077 or 3082. By virtue of 2.2.9.1.10.2, they must be assigned to group « N2 ». However, under Nos. 9005 and 9006 only substances with « 9+(N3, CMR, F or S) » in column 5 (dangers) may be transported.

Proposal:

5. It is proposed to reintroduce « N2 » in column 5 of table C for substance Nos 9005 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S, MOLTEN and 9006 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S. in order to end up with the following mention: « 9+(N2, N3, CMR, F or S) ».

Consequential modifications:

6. None.

Justification:

7. The proposal intends to allow the transport in tank vessels of substances responding to the criteria of category « chronic 3 » under Nos 9005 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S, MOLTEN. and 9006 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.
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