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Transport of gases: miscellaneous

Proposal to remove TP 23 from the requirements for UN1966 HYDROGEN, REFRIGERATED LIQUID

Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)¹

Background

- 1. In the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods UN1966 Hydrogen Refrigerated Liquid has TP23 assigned in column 11 of Section 3.2 of the Dangerous Goods List. TP 23 states "Transport permitted under special conditions prescribed by the competent authorities".
- 2. UN1966 Hydrogen, Refrigerated Liquid is the only substance in the Dangerous Goods list that has TP23 assigned to it, and each competent authority is required to prescribe special conditions under which transport is permitted.
- 3. It is the proposal of EIGA that TP23 should be removed from the entry in the Dangerous Goods List for UN1966 Hydrogen Refrigerated Liquid.

Proposal

- 4. EIGA proposes the following amendments to the Model Regulations
 - (a) Dangerous Goods List: delete: TP23 from column (11) of UN1966.

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In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2013–2014 approved by the Committee at its sixth session (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/84, para. 86 and ST/SG/AC.10/40, para. 14).

(b) 4.2.5.3 Portable tank special provisions: replace: "TP 23 Transport permitted under special conditions prescribed by the competent authorities." with: "TP 23 Deleted".

Justification

- 5. UN 1966 Hydrogen, Refrigerated Liquid has been transported via various modes of transport for a number of years without any serious incidents during transport of which EIGA is aware.
- 6. There is no mechanism by which competent authorities can agree and make available a common set of special conditions as prescribed in TP 23
- 7. There is the possibility of different authorities through which transport occurs, or by between different modes of transport e.g. sea and road having different or conflicting special provisions. If competent authorities require additional regulation concerning the transport of UN1966 Hydrogen, Refrigerated Liquid, or any other substance, this should be included in the Model Regulations to ensure conformity and visibility for industry and others and then included in the relevant national or mode specific transport regulations as required.
- 8. In addition the reason to have special provisions assigned to a substance is detailed in 4.2.5.3 Portable tank special provisions:
 - "Portable tank special provisions are assigned to certain substances to indicate provisions which are in addition to or in lieu of those provided by the portable tank instructions or the requirements in Chapter 6.7.".
- 9. EIGA considers that the portable tank instructions and Chapter 6.7, adequately covers the requirements for portable tanks transporting this substance without the need for any additional measures.

Safety implications

10. No safety implication is foreseen.

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