Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the forty-fifth session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 23 June 2014

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. Explosives and related matters:
   (a) Tests and criteria for flash compositions;
   (b) Review of test series 6;

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1 Annotations to the agenda will be circulated as document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/89/Add.1. The deadline for submission of documents is 28 March 2014.

2 For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division’s website (http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c3age.html). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

3 Delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division’s website (http://www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than two weeks prior to the session by email (laurence.berthet@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 00 39). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext. 72106). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm.

4 After preliminary consideration in the plenary, most of the questions relating to this agenda item are expected to be referred to a working group on explosives that will meet in parallel during the first week (23–26 June).
(c) Review of tests in parts I and II of the Manual of Tests and Criteria;
(d) Review of packing instructions for explosives;
(e) Miscellaneous;

3. Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations.

4. Listing, classification and packing:
   (a) Polymerizing substances;
   (b) Classification inconsistencies (application of criteria versus dangerous goods list);
   (c) Miscellaneous.

5. Electric storage systems:
   (a) Testing of lithium batteries;
   (b) Safety procedures for damaged or defective lithium batteries;
   (c) Large batteries;
   (d) Thermal batteries;
   (e) Miscellaneous.

6. Transport of gases
   (a) Global recognition of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles;
   (b) Miscellaneous.

7. Miscellaneous proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods:
   (a) Fuels in machinery or equipment;
   (b) Articles containing small quantities of dangerous goods;
   (c) Used medical devices;
   (d) Environmentally hazardous substances;
   (e) Terminology;
   (f) Marking and labelling;
   (g) Packaging;
   (h) Portable tanks;
   (i) Scope of section 5.5.3.

8. Electronic data interchange for documentation purposes.


10. Guiding principles for the Model Regulations:
    (a) Assignment of E-codes;
    (b) Miscellaneous.
11. Issues relating to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals:
   (a) Desensitized explosives;
   (b) Pyrophoric gases;
   (c) Criteria for water-reactivity;
   (d) Tests and criteria for oxidizing solids;
   (e) Classification criteria and flammability categories for certain refrigerants;
   (f) Expert judgement/weight of evidence;
   (g) Corrosivity criteria;
   (h) Hazard communication;
   (i) Miscellaneous.

12. Other business.

13. Adoption of the report.

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5 Participants in the work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals who are not normally involved in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee are invited to participate in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee when the Sub-Committee is acting as GHS focal point for physical hazards (see also ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2, para 43 (b)).

6 A session of the Joint TDG/GHS Working Group on corrosivity criteria will be held on 2 July 2014 (afternoon) during the twenty-seventh session of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.