RID/ADR/ADN

Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
(Berne, 18 - 22 March 2013)

Agenda item 5 (a): Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN – Pending issues

New provisions concerning carriage in bulk
Amendments to INF.5/Add.1 of the last Joint Meeting (Geneva, 17-21 September 2012)

Proposal transmitted by Germany

Introduction

1. In September 2012, the Joint Meeting adopted new provisions concerning carriage in bulk (see report OTIF/RID/RC/2012-B – ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/128, paragraphs 34 to 40 and Annex I).

2. In this meeting, the German representative had already noted that there were still some discrepancies in this new system regarding the assignment of VW/VV and AP codes to certain substances.

3. The following substances are, by definition, only available in the form of powder or granules. For this reason, carriage under VW 1/VV 1 is already excluded by special provision AP 3:

   UN 1396 Aluminum powder, uncoated, 4.3, III
   UN 1398 Aluminum silicon powder, uncoated, 4.3, III
   UN 1418 Magnesium or magnesium alloys, powder, 4.3, III
   UN 1436 Zinc powder or dust, 4.3, III

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UN 2950 Magnesium granules, coated, 4.3, III.

4. In the current system, special provision VW 9/VV 3 is assigned to the substances below. As a consequence, in the new system, these substances should be assigned to special provision AP 2:

UN 1841 Acetaldehyde ammonia, 9, III
UN 1931 Zinc dithionite (Zinc hydrosulphite), 9, III
UN 2969 Castor beans, meal, pomace or flake, 9, II.

5. The following substance has been newly classified as dangerous goods in accordance with the 36th Amendment of the IMDG Code and RID/ADR 2013:

UN 3497 Krill meal, 4.2, III.

Proposal

6. Delete special provision VW 1/VV1 for:

UN 1396 Aluminum powder, uncoated, UN 1398 Aluminum silicon powder, uncoated, UN 1418 Magnesium or magnesium alloys, powder, UN 1436 Zinc powder or dust and UN 2950 Magnesium granules, coated.

7. Add special provision AP 2 for:

UN 1841 Acetaldehyde ammonia, UN 1931 Zinc dithionite (Zinc hydrosulphite) and UN 2969 Castor beans, meal, pomace or flake.

8. Add "UN 3497 Krill meal" and assign the following special provisions: VW 1/VV 1, VW 2/VV 2, AP 1.

Justification

9. All proposals are amendments consistent with the proposals adopted by the informal working group of the Joint Meeting.