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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR

**Periodic inspection of LPG road and rail tankers
Alternatives to the hydraulic test**

Transmitted by the European Liquefied Petroleum Gas Association (AEGPL)

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This proposal amends the previously submitted proposal ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2013/6 on the alternatives to the hydraulic test that can be used on LPG road and rail tankers at the 6 yearly periodic inspection. It is not intended to replace the internal visual inspection.

Action to be taken: Add a TT11 code to column 13 of the dangerous goods list in chapter 3.2 of the RID/ADR for the following dangerous goods; UN 1011, UN 1075, UN 1965, UN 1969 and UN 1978.
Add a new special provision (TT11) to 6.8.4 (d) "When approved by the competent authority the hydraulic test may be replaced by other suitable NDT tests as detailed in the appropriate testing and inspection standard."

Introduction

The currently submitted proposal is to amend para 6.8.2.4.2. It has been pointed out that this could then be applied to tanks for all classes.

The proposal is to limit the application to LPG tankers by introducing a special provision to permit the alternative for the following dangerous goods UN 1011, UN1075, UN 1965 and UN 1978.

Proposal

Add a TT11 code to column 13 of the dangerous goods list in chapter 3.2 of the RID/ADR for the following dangerous goods; UN 1011, UN 1075, UN 1965, UN 1969 and UN 1978.

Add a new special provision (TT11) to 6.8.4 (d) “When approved by the competent authority the hydraulic test may be replaced by other suitable NDT tests as detailed in the appropriate testing and inspection standard.”

Justification

The revised clause location and wording will ensure that the proposal only applies to fixed tanks and demountable tanks used for the transport of LPG. The procedures and methods to be used will be set out in the appropriate testing and inspection standards that will be referenced in the RID/ADR.