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Note by the secretariat

The secretariat reproduces hereafter an invitation by the expert from Germany and the International Confederation of Plastics Packaging Manufacturers (ICPP) for an Informal meeting on methods to demonstrate chemical compatibility of plastics packagings and IBCs scheduled on 5 July 2006 at 18:00.

Invitation

Informal meeting on methods to demonstrate chemical compatibility of plastics packagings and IBCs

Place: Le Palace Hilton, Geneva, 19, Quai du Mont-Blanc
Date: Wednesday, July 5th, 18.00; expected to end 19.30

Background
To account for the damaging effect of liquid chemicals on plastics packagings and IBCs the UN has included specific, but general requirements in its Model Regulations (6.1.5.2.4 and 6.5.6.3.2 – 6.5.6.3.4).

Both, USA and Europe have added quite different special procedures in its legal provisions do demonstrate compliance with this general requirement, deemed to minimise time and effort of testing.

The international and regional standards organizations ISO, CEN and ASTM have prepared additional guidance on its own and which – in parts – have been endorsed or put into reference in the provisions of ADR/RID and CFR.

Objective of the meeting
Those who have been involved in the above rulemaking and standardizing projects on this subject, have got the feeling that it could be beneficial to compare the two regional approaches and examine them for additional options for their systems.

Agenda

- Presentation of the European scheme (Dr. Peter Bluemel, BAM, Germany)
- Presentation of the USA-scheme (Earl Lind, Mauser USA Inc.)
- Discussion on complementary options for both schemes
- Further steps

Participation
Participation open to all interested parties. The meeting is organised without any sponsoring.

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