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 Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FOURTEENTH SESSION

Addendum

List of documents and annotations

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/27 Provisional agenda for the fourteenth session
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/27/Add.1 List of documents and annotations

Background documents

ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.2 Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), 2nd revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/26 Report of the Sub-committee of experts on its 13th session

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2. UPDATING OF THE SECOND REVISED EDITION OF THE GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS (GHS)

(a) Physical hazards

- Substances having explosive properties
  ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2007/6 (Secretariat)
- Proposals to amend the criterion for classifying mixtures as oxidizing
  ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2007/7 (EIGA)
- Informal Working Group on Desensitized Explosives
  UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.7 (Germany)

(b) Health hazards

The representative of the OECD may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the on-going work on the development of a proposal for the classification of strong versus weak sensitizers.

(c) Environmental hazards

- Revision of Chapter 4.1
- Revision of Chapter 4.1 (refer to -2007/8) with changes in visible mode
  UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.2 (OECD)
- Revision of Chapter 4.1: consequential amendments to annexes 1, 2 and 3
- Revision of Chapter 4.1: consequential amendments to Annex 9
- Amendments to Annex 9 (refer to -2007/10) with changes in visible mode
  UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.3 (OECD)
- Explanatory notes to the proposals in documents -2007/8 and -2007/10
  UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.4 (OECD)

The Sub-committee will also be informed about the progress of work on: the development of classification and labelling criteria for chemicals hazardous for the terrestrial environment and for ozone depleting chemicals; and, on the validation of the protocol on transformation/dissolution of metals and metal compounds in aqueous media.

(d) Annexes

The expert from the United Kingdom may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of the work on the revision of Annexes 1, 2 and 3.

(e) Miscellaneous proposals

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.
3. HAZARD COMMUNICATION ISSUES

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2007/12 (CEFIC) Labelling of very small packagings
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2007/13 (CTIF) Systematic approach for colours and appearance of pictograms (placards) according to the GHS classification

4. DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDANCE ON THE APPLICATION OF GHS CRITERIA

The representative of IPIECA may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress on the work on the application of GHS criteria to petroleum substances.

The Sub-Committee will also be informed about the outcome of the OECD workshop on the application of the GHS criteria to high production volume chemicals which was held in Bern in July 2007.

5. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GHS

(a) Reports from Governments or organizations

Experts, observers and organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress in the implementation of the GHS in their respective countries or areas of work.

(b) Cooperation with other international organizations

International organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee of recent developments in their field regarding the implementation of the GHS.

(c) Other implementation issues

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2007/11 (Australia, Canada, South Africa, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States of America and WHO) Implementation of the GHS

6. CAPACITY BUILDING

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee of any capacity-building activities or projects undertaken in relation to the GHS.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.5 (Secretariat) Request for consultative status (Institute of Makers of Explosives) (IME)
UN/SCEGHS/14/INF.6 (Secretariat) Request for consultative status (British Fireworks Association)
8. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its fourteenth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.