Pump/exhauster unit for vacuum-operated waste tanks

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1. Chapter 6.10 on vacuum-operated waste tanks requires the pump/exhauster unit to fulfill requirements in 6.10.3.8.

2. 6.10.3.8 is worded in such a way that it is implied that this unit shall be fitted on the tank itself or on the tank-vehicle. This is not a problem for a tank mounted on a motor vehicle (rigid vehicle) but the situation may be different for a tank semi-trailer when this pump/exhauster unit may be mounted on the tractor towing the trailer. In the latter case, the current text is not completely adapted, and some requirements could be introduced in Part 9 of ADR.

3. We would like to know the opinion of the Working Group on Tanks on this subject and how the approvals of the tractor and the tank semi-trailer are carried out in that case.