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Multilateral Agreement initiated by Norway concerning environmentally hazardous substances of UN 3082 and the requirement for performance testing of the packaging

- 1. In relation to document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/37 and INF.26 on paints and printing inks classified as environmentally hazardous substance of UN 3082 due to the implementation of the fifteenth Adaptation to Technical Progress (ATP) of the CLP Regulation, the Competent Authority of Norway has initiated multilateral agreements RID7/2021 and M341 for RID and ADR, respectively.
- 2. The multilateral agreements have been written in line with the proposal for the transitional provision in 1.6.1.x presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/37. In any case, the proposed transitional measure will not be effective before 1 January 2023.
- 3. Furthermore, 15.ATP of the CLP Regulation will apply from 1 March 2022. Consequently, products which are classified in accordance with section 2.2.9.1.10.5 of ADR, whereby substances and mixtures classified as environmentally hazardous under the CLP regulation will be classified as environmentally hazardous under ADR, where no test data are available, and have to be transported as UN 3082, PG III.
- 4. Products that will be available on the market 1 March 2022 must necessarily be manufactured well in advance of this date. To facilitate the existing use of large quantity packagings up to 30 litres, and to reduce the negative impact the use of smaller packaging volumes will have, as mentioned in informal document INF. 26, the Competent Authority of Norway has signed the agreements and invites other Competent Authorities to sign the agreements.
- 5. The proposed multilateral agreement RID7/2021 and explanatory letter is available on OTIF webpage: https://otif.org/en/?page_id=176
- 6. The proposed multilateral agreement M341 and explanatory letter is available on UNECE webpage: https://unece.org/adr-multilateral-agreements