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TANKS */

Modifications of tank codes

Transmitted by the Government of Spain

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document is intended to replace the tank code L4BV (+)

assigned to UN Nos. 1791, 1908, 2014 and 3149 with the code

L4BN (+).

Action to be taken: Amend current text of 4.3.4.1.3 of RID/ADR and Table A in

Chapter 3.2

Relevant documents: None.

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Introduction

- 1. Special provision TE 11 currently refers to a safety relief device instead of referring to a venting device (N instead of V) due to an error in the current test of the ADR/RID. Consequently, amending the ADR/RID is needed.
- 2. Tanks used in the past (according to ADR 1999) for the above mentioned substances were 4 bar tanks equiped with a safety relief device and did not use venting devices.

Proposals

- 3. Amend column (12) in Chapter 3.2, Dangerous Goods List, for UN Nos.1791, 1908, 2014 and 3149, replacing L4BV (+) by L4BN (+).
- 4. Delete special provision TE 11 for UN 2984 in column (13) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.
- 5. Amend paragraph d) and h) in 4.3.4.1.3 accordingly.

Justification

- 6. Codes for tanks should be consistent with Special Provision TE 11, which reads:
 - "TE11: Shells and their service equipment shall be so designed as to prevent the entry of foreign matter, leakage of liquid or any building up of dangerous excess pressure inside the shell due to the decomposition of the substances carried."
- 7. These tanks that are currently only being used for specific substances (tanks marked as (+)) could also be considered as an alternative when carrying other substances included on its certificate of type approval.
- 8. Safety: Not impaired.
- 9. Feasibility: No problems are to be expected since the aim of this proposal is to correct an error existing in the ADR/RID.
- 10. Enforceability: Transition measures can be discussed by the working group on tanks.

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