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Working Party on Gas

Ad Hoc Group of Experts on the Supply and Use of Gas

Ninth session
Geneva, 24 January 2008

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE NINTH SESSION

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10 a.m. on Thursday, 24 January 2008*

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Decisions of the eighteenth session of the Working Party on Gas of concern to the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts

* New accreditation procedures have been introduced for all delegates attending meetings at the Palais des Nations. Delegates are therefore requested to complete the registration form, which is available from the website of the UNECE Sustainable Energy Division (<http://www.unece.org/ie/>), and transmit it to the UNECE secretariat, if possible, at least two weeks prior to the session – namely, by **8 January 2008** – either by fax (+41 22 917 0038) or by e-mail (catherine.pierre@unece.org). Delegates are requested to present themselves at least one and a half hours prior to the start of the meeting at the Pass and Identification Unit of the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate, 14, Avenue de la Paix opposite the Red Cross Building (see the map on the Energy Division's web site), for the issuance of an identification badge. In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (internal extension 74140 or 75721).

3. Gas networks balancing
4. Technological standards and norms required for design and operation of NGV filling stations
5. Diagnostics of gas transportation lines and risk management
6. Methods for detection of gas leakages during gas industry operations
7. Gas Saving to Reduce Natural Gas Demand and Enhance Energy Security
8. Role of Geodynamic Modelling in Enhancing Pipeline Safety
9. Programme of work.
10. Election of officers
11. Date of next session
12. Adoption of the report.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda (ECE/ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2008/1)

13. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Item 2: Decisions of the eighteenth session of the Working Party on Gas of concern to the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts

14. The secretariat will provide information on this issue.

Item 3: Gas networks balancing

15. Mr. S. Bogoly, rapporteur from Hungary, will report on the progress achieved in the collection of data on this topic (ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2004/4).

Item 4: Technological standards and norms required for design and operation of NGV filling stations

16. Mr. A. Kuposov, rapporteur from the Russian Federation, will present an overview of existing technological standards and norms required for the design and operation of NGV filling stations (ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2003/6).

Item 5: Diagnostics of gas transportation lines and risk management

17. The Group of Experts will consider a progress report, prepared by Mr. J. Filippi, rapporteur from the Czech Republic (ECE/ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2006/5)

Item 6: Methods for detection of gas leakages during gas industry operations

18. Mr. I. Ponomarenko, rapporteur from Ukraine, will report on the progress achieved in the collection of data on this topic (ECE/ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2008/3).

Item 7: Gas Saving to Reduce Natural Gas Demand and Enhance Energy Security

19. Mr. A. Karasevich, rapporteur from the Russian Federation, will report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the project (ECE/ENERGY/WP.3/GE.5/2008/7).

Item 8: Role of Geodynamic Modelling in Enhancing Pipeline Safety

20. Mr. Arkady Shabarov, Deputy Director of VNIMI Institute (Russian Federation) will present a lecture on this topic.

Item 9: Programme of work

21. Delegations will consider existing and new projects for the programme of work.

Item 10: Election of officers

22. In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Commission, the Ad Hoc Group of Experts elects its officers on a two-year basis. At its eighth session Mr. Alexander Karasevich (Russian Federation) was elected Chairman and Messrs. Ante Zedelj (Croatia) and Tamas Korosi (Hungary) were elected Vice-Chairpersons.

Item 11: Date of next session

23. Delegations will decide on the proposed date of the meeting, as reflected in document ECE/ENERGY/WP.3/2008/5.

Item 12: Adoption of the report

24. The Ad Hoc Group of Experts will adopt its report on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
