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PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE TEXT OF THE RID/ADR

PART 6—section 6.8.3.5 Markings

Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA) */

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This proposal is a follow-up of a proposal made by CEN to WP15 for the harmonization of the markings of the tank-codes on vehicles for Class2 and on vehicles for other Classes. The discussions at WP 15 indicated that a new proposal for the deletion of the requirement to mark Class 2 vehicles for the tank code should be presented at the Joint Meeting.
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Delete the first dashed item in 6.8.3.5.6 a)
<i>Relevant documents:</i>	

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Introduction

The members of WP.15 discussed, at the May 2002 session, the proposal from CEN (TRANS/WP.15/2002/13) to align the requirements in 6.8.3.5 for the marking for the tank-code on Class 2 vehicles with the requirements for vehicles of other classes in 6.8.2.5.

During the discussion, several delegates (see INF.29 from Sweden) pointed out that the requirement to mark the tank-code on vehicles of class 2 is redundant with the requirement to mark the proper shipping names of all the gases approved for carriage in the vehicles.

The conclusion was that the requirement for the marking of the tank-code could be deleted for both tank-vehicles and tank-containers. Since this recommendation would affect both ADR and RID, it was requested that a suitable proposal be presented at the next Joint Meeting.

Proposal

Delete the first dashed item in 6.8.3.5.6 a)

Justification

Safety: The existing level of safety will be unchanged.

Feasibility: No action is requested from the Operators.

Enforceability: No action is requested from the Authorities.
