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NEW PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

Tank codes for certain substances of Class 3

Transmitted by the International Union of Railways (UIC/IUR) */

The Joint Meeting, at its September 2004 session, adopted provisionally the proposal transmitted by the UIC/IUR to increase the design and test pressures of RID/ADR tanks for Class 3, Packing Group I substances having a vapour pressure at 50 °C not more than 175 kPa, from 1,5 to 4 bar. The proposal from the UIC/IUR was placed between square brackets, and the Joint Meeting invited the UIC/IUR to prepare a text for transitional measures.

In the past, the Joint Meeting had adopted in similar cases a transitional period equal to the intervals for the periodic inspections according to 6.8.2.4.2, i.e.:

- eight years for tank wagons;
- six years for tank vehicles;
- five years for tank-containers.

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Consequently the UIC/IUR proposes the following transitional measures:

“Tank wagons (RID)/fixed tanks (tank vehicles), demountable tanks (ADR)/ tank-containers (RID/ADR) intended for the carriage of Class 3, Packing Group I substances having a vapour pressure at 50 °C not more than 175 kPa, constructed before 1 January 2007, to which tank code L1,5BN has been assigned in accordance with the requirements applicable up to 31 December 2006, may continue to be used for the carriage of the substances mentioned before, until 31 December 2014/2012/2011.”
