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#### **Transport of gases:**

**global recognition of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles**

## **Global Recognition of Pressure Receptacles**

### **Transmitted by the Compressed Gas Association (CGA) and European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)**

#### **Introduction**

1. At the forty-eighth session of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, it was reported that CGA and EIGA would start a petition for rule-making in the United States of America, aiming at authorizing the import of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles in the United States with the intention of EIGA to submit amendment proposals to the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting to facilitate the acceptance of US DOT cylinders in Europe.
  2. The petition for rule making has been submitted by CGA to the United States Department of Transport. In parallel, EIGA has made initial proposals to the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting. Final proposals to the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting will be dependent upon the outcome of the petition for rule making.
  3. Both CGA and EIGA are of the opinion that this work could lay the foundations for wider recognition that would lead to global recognition of pressure receptacles.
  4. CGA and EIGA are recommending to the Sub-Committee, that the work on global recognition is held until the work is completed with the petition for rule making and the proposals to RID/ADR/AND. The reason for this is that once the requirements become clearer on this activity, it will assist the global recondition process as many questions will have been resolved.
  5. CGA and EIGA would like to remind the Sub-Committee that the standards listed in 6.2 for pressure receptacles are already in wide use though with regional approvals for the equipment.
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