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PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

Amendment to 1.1.3.2 (f)

Transmitted by the European Liquefied Petroleum Gas Association (AEGPL) */

Summary:

It is proposed to change the current wording of the disposition 1.1.3.2.(f) concerning the exemption from ADR/RID requirements of the carriage of uncleaned empty fixed pressure tanks.

Justification:

1.1.3.2.(f) currently states that:

"uncleaned empty fixed pressure tanks which are carried on condition that they are hermetically closed" are exempted of ADR/RID requirements.

The LPG Industry practice requires road and rail movements of these static tanks for operational purposes.

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During transport, the current wording "hermetically closed" implies that safety valves (whose fitment is mandatory on those static LPG tanks) shall be removed or sealed which is unacceptable practice as far as safety is concerned.

Proposal:

To amend 1.1.3.2.(f) as follows:

(f) "Uncleaned <u>nominally</u> empty fixed pressure tanks which are carried on condition that <u>all openings with the exception of pressure relief devices (when fitted) are plugged or capped</u>"; and ...