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PARAGRAPH 5.4.1.1.1 (c)

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The secretariat has received from the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI) the proposal reproduced below.

Justification

According to the third indent of 5.4.1.1.1 (c) applicable as from 1 January 2003, the label model numbers given in Column (5) of Table A in Chapter 3.2 must appear in the transport document for substances and articles of Classes 2, 3, 4.1, 4.2, 5.1, 5.2, 6.1, 6.2, 8 and 9.

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In the current version of RID/ADR, however, there are three UN numbers (2211, 3314 and 3359 - an exemption exists for 3373 according to P650) for which no label model is prescribed. This means that no entry is therefore to be made in the transport document. This creates a blank in the system which needs to be filled. It would, however, be advisable in such cases to require the class to be re-entered in the transport document so as to give an approximate idea of the danger of these substances.

Proposed solution

Add the following text to the end of the third indent of 5.4.1.1.1 (c) of RID/ADR:

“For substances and articles for which no label model is given in Column (5) of Table A in Chapter 3.2, their class according to Column (3a) shall be given instead.”
