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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR

Paragraph 5.3.2.1.4

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Introduction

1. Paragraph 5.3.2.1.1 of RID stipulates that a numbered orange-coloured marking must be affixed to wagons used for bulk carriage.
2. Paragraph 5.3.2.1.4 of ADR deals exclusively with the carriage of solids in bulk; therefore, the carriage of accumulators in bulk (UN No. 2794, etc. ...) or other items containing hazardous substances do not require numbered orange-coloured plates.
3. ADR and RID should be brought into line.

Proposal

4. Amend the first part of paragraph 5.3.2.1.4 thus:

“When a hazard identification number is indicated in Column (20) of Table A of Chapter 3.2, transport units and containers carrying dangerous ~~solid~~ substances in bulk or packaged radioactive material with a single UN number ...”

Justification

5. ADR and RID should be brought into line because there is no reason why different markings should be used for the carriage of items and solids in bulk.

Consequences

6. Items transported in bulk, if authorized under Chapter 3.2 (Column 17), will be carried in vehicles or containers with conventional markings, namely numbered orange plates. This measure raises no applicability issues.
