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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN**

Miscellaneous proposals for amendments

Section 1.16.2

Issuance and recognition of certificates of approval

Transmitted by the Government of Germany***

SUMMARY

Executive Summary: Clarification that certificates of approval issued according to the future European Directive on the inland transport of dangerous goods shall be considered as equivalent

Action to be taken: Add a new sub-section to section 1.16.2.

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Introduction

1. With the expected application of a new Directive of the Council of the European Union and the European Parliament on the inland transport of dangerous goods as from 1 January 2009, the Regulations annexed to the ADN will be applied in all Member States of the European Union. According to this directive, it will be possible also for Member States of the European Union which are not Contracting Parties to ADN to issue certificates of approval and provisional certificates of approval according to section 1.16.2. In order to prevent differing views on their scope, a clarifying regulation should be agreed.

Proposal

2. In section 1.16.2, add the following new sub-section 1.16.2.5:

“1.16.2.5 Certificates of approval and provisional certificates of approval issued according to Directive 2007/xx/EC on the inland transport of dangerous goods¹ shall be considered as equivalent.

1 Directive 2007/.../EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of xx xx 2007 on the inland transport of dangerous goods (Official Journal of the European Communities, No. Lxxx of xx xx 2007, page xx.)

[Exact reference to be completed once the Directive has been promulgated]."

Justification

3. The purpose of this proposal is to prevent problems concerning the application. There will be no negative effects on safety and feasibility.
