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Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

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**Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN: Pending issues****Sub-section 2.2.3.1.1 Note 2: Classification of synthetic diesel  
fuel, gasoil and heating oil (light)****Transmitted by the Government of Sweden**<sup>1, 2</sup>*Summary*

- Executive summary:** Clarification of the scope of UN1202 in class 3 according to subsection 2.3.1.1 Note 2.
- Action to be taken:** Amend the text in Note 2 under subsection 2.2.3.1.1 to clarify that all diesel fuel, gasoil, heating oil (light) despite the production method and with a flashpoint between 60°C and 100 °C are assigned to UN 1202
- Related documents:** ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2010/36

**Background and analysis**

1. The Swedish delegation asked the Joint meeting in March 2010 if synthetic diesel, gasoil, heating oil (light) fuel with a flash-point between 60°C and 100°C shall be assigned to class 3, UN1202. The meeting considered that neither the name of UN1202, nor Note 2

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.7 (c)).

<sup>2</sup> Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2010/56.

under subsection 2.2.3.1.1, specifies the production method of diesel fuels and consequently products obtained through synthesis shall be treated in the same way as those products obtained from distillation of petroleum, when the flashpoint is between 60°C and 100°C.

2. At the meeting there were also other delegations who informed that they had recognized the same problem as Sweden, where companies had transported synthetic diesel without applying RID/ADR.

3. Therefore Sweden proposes to add a clarification in the text in Note2.

## **Proposal**

4. Amend the text in Note 2 under 2.2.3.1.1. to read (new text is underlined):

By derogation from paragraph 2.2.3.1.1 above, all kinds of diesel fuel, gasoil, heating oil (light), regardless how they are produced, with a flashpoint between 60°C and 100°C shall be deemed substances of Class 3, UN1202.

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