## Secretariat

# Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals 

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

## Thirty-seventh session

Geneva, 21-30 June 2010
Item 5 of the provisional agenda
Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

## Proposal to include the requirements for pressure relief valve examination and testing in P203

## Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA) ${ }^{1}$

## Background

1. Within the Model Regulations there is no requirement for the pressure relief valves of closed cryogenic receptacles to undergo a periodic examination and test. In order to maintain the integrity of such devices, some national authorities already require a periodic examination and test. This proposal seeks to unify the requirements for this activity within the Model Regulations.

## Proposal

2. The proposal is to add into P203, a new sentence under "Requirements for closed cryogenic receptacles", to read as follows:
"(8) Periodic Inspection
The periodic inspection and test frequencies of pressure relief devices in accordance with 6.2.1.6.3 shall not exceed five years.".

[^0]3. Add a new 6.2.1.6.3 to read as follows:
"6.2.6.1.3 Pressure relief devices for closed cryogenic receptacles shall be subject to periodic inspections and tests.".

## Justification

4. By introducing regular periodic inspection and testing of pressure valves on closed cryogenic receptacle, the overall integrity of these items of equipment will be improved.

## Safety implications

5. None foreseen.

[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2009-2010 approved by the Committee at its fourth session (refer to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/68, para. 118 (c) and ST/SG/AC.10/36, para. 14).

