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Transmitted by the experts from Belgium and the United States of America

Following the initial discussion in the plenary, an alternative consolidated proposal is produced below:

1. Add a new 2.0.0.2:

A consignor who has identified, on the basis of test data, that a substance listed by name in column 2 of the Dangerous Goods List in Chapter 3.2 meets classification criteria for a hazard class or division that is not identified in the list, may, with the approval of the competent authority, consign the substance:

- Under the same UN number and name but with additional hazard communication information as appropriate to reflect the additional subsidiary risk(s) (documentation, label, placard) provided that the primary hazard class remains unchanged and that any other transport conditions (e.g. limited quantity, packing and tank provisions) that would normally apply to substances possessing such a combination of hazards are the same as those applicable to the substance listed; or
- Under the most appropriate generic or n.o.s. entry reflecting all hazards.
- 2. Add a note to the proposed text for 2.0.0.2.

"NOTE When a competent authority grants such approvals, it should inform the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods accordingly and submit a relevant proposal of amendment to the list of substances. Should the proposed amendment be rejected, the competent authority should withdraw its approval."

a. Include the following sentence in 2.0.2.2:

The substances listed by name in column 2 of the Dangerous Goods List in Chapter 3.2 shall be transported according to their classification in the list or under the conditions specified in 2.0.0.2

Add a new

5.4.1.5.x Classification where new data is available (see 2.0.0.2)

For transport in accordance with 2.0.0.2, a statement to this effect shall be included in the transport document, as follows "Classified in accordance with 2.0.0.2"

5. Include the following text for part 2 of the Guiding principles:

"In principle, substances listed by name in column 2 of the Dangerous Goods List should be transported according to the classification indicated in the list. It may happen that new or additional test data provided by experts (e.g. national authorities, industry stakeholders) show that a substance possesses one or more additional hazards not identified in the list. In such a case, a consignor who is aware of this or these additional hazards identified on the basis of test data, may – with the approval of the competent authority and provided that the competent authority has confirmed that it would take steps to inform the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods with the view to amending the current classification of the substance – elect to:

- Use the same UN number and name but to reflect the additional hazard(s) in the various hazard communication elements required by the Model Regulations (labels, placards, transport documents) provided that the additional hazard(s) would not justify more stringent transport conditions other than those related to hazard communication;
- Use the most appropriate generic or N.O.S. entry to ensure that all hazards are communicated in transport.

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