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Other business

Class 9 Labels

Transmitted by the Governments of the United Kingdom and of the United States of America

1. During its present session, the Joint Meeting has considered amendments resulting from harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods¹ including introduction of a new lithium battery label:

5.2.2.2.2 Under “CLASS 9 HAZARD Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles”, after the generic No. 9 label, add the following:



(No.9A) Symbol (seven vertical black stripes in upper half; battery group, one broken and emitting flame in lower half); black; Background: white; Figure “9” underlined in bottom corner”.

2. The Joint Meeting may wish to note that in order to clarify that the lithium battery label shall not be used for placarding purposes, the International Maritime Organization's Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers Editorial and Technical Group (responsible for drafting amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code) has included a new paragraph at the end of 5.3.1.1.2 of the IMDG Code as follows:

For dangerous goods of Class 9 the placard shall correspond to the label model No. 9 as in 5.2.2.2.2; label model No. 9A shall not be used for placarding purposes.

3. Delegates of the Joint Meeting may wish to consider including a similar paragraph (for example as a new paragraph 5.3.1.1.7 or other suitable location) within RID/ADR/ADN.

1 See ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/23/Add.1