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TRANSPORT OF GASES

Comments on document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2004/5 (EIGA)

Transmitted by the expert from Belgium

Belgium is not able to support the EIGA proposal contained in ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2004/5 for two reasons:

- the difficulties put forward by the expert from Germany in his document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2004/16 are valid;
 - the EIGA proposal would introduce a contradiction in 2.2.2.1: according to b) (ii) gases are oxidizing when they may, generally by providing oxygen, cause or contribute to the combustion of other material more than air does. This means that gases containing more than 21% of oxygen are considered to be oxidizing. This would be contradicted by the proposed note were this oxygen content is more than 23.5%. This is unacceptable.
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