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**MISCELLANEOUS PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE MODEL REGULATIONS
ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS**

Marking of tanks

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Introduction

1. Portable tanks according to Chapter 6.7 of UN Model Regulation are increasingly used.
2. The marking of the portable tanks with the respective tank instruction is not required. Since nowadays the assignation of substances is effected mainly on the basis of the tank instruction besides the Special Provisions, many new portable tanks have already been voluntarily marked with the tank instruction.
3. This permits a first simple control of the substance assignation. On the contrary, portable tanks not marked with the appropriate tank instruction may cause problems for fillers or shippers, or for dangerous goods inspections regarding the correct substance assignation. In the past, an assignation to the IMO types was possible at least in the field of maritime transport as the respective IMO type had to be specified on the metal plate.

¹ In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2007-2008 approved by the Committee at its third session (refer to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/60, para. 100 and ST/SG/AC.10/34, para. 14).

Proposal

4. It is proposed to mark portable tanks with the respective tank instruction (T-coding).
5. In Sections 6.7.2.20.2, 6.7.3.16.2 and 6.7.4.15.2 add the following to the list of details to be marked on the portable tank itself or on a metal plate permanently attached to it:

“The instruction for portable tanks in accordance with 4.2.5.2.6“
