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Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations
on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: packagings

Editorial corrections to paper ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/3 and consequent amendment of Special Provision SP 338

Submitted by the European Cylinder Makers Association (ECMA)

Introduction

1. This paper proposes to eliminate two minor editorial errors in working document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/3 submitted by ECMA. (See Proposal 1)
2. SP 338 requires that all UN 3478 articles shall pass the hot water bath test prescribed in Section 6.2.4.1.
3. The amendment proposed to Section 6.2.4 contained in ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/3, will, if approved, permit the use of alternative methods of testing UN 3478 articles.
4. It is therefore proposed that, following approval of ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/3, and specifically that alternatives to the hot water bath test are permitted in SP 338. (See Proposal 2)

Proposal 1

The following editorial changes shall be made in document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/3 (changes underlined):

- Para 5 of the proposal, 6.2.4.1 – 3rd line shall read: “Each gas cartridge shall be subjected to”
- 6.2.4.1.1.1 – 2nd line – at the end of line, it shall read: “..... (50°C if).”

Proposal 2

SP 338 subparagraph (c) shall read (changes underlined):

“(c) Pass the hot water bath test in 6.2.4.1.1 or the alternative set out in 6.2.4.1.2”
