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**Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN**

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Specifying the requirements for the protection of valves in 4.1.6.8

Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association

1**.** The expert of Germany transmitted ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2018/2.

2**.** Following discussion during the Spring Joint Session the following proposal to amend 4.1.6.8 is made, new text underlined and in italics.

Valves *and other components which are to remain connected to the valve during transport, (e.g. handling devices or adaptors)* shall be designed and constructed in such a way that they are inherently able to withstand damage without release of the contents or shall be protected from damage which could cause inadvertent release of the contents of the pressure receptacle, by one of the following methods (see also table of standards at the end of this section).