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AMENDMENT TO SUB-SECTION 1.1.3.6 AND 3.4 OF ADR
Transport of small amount of dangerous goods.

Transmitted by CEFIC and AISE

1. Introduction

At the WP15 meeting of May 2001, CEFIC proposed (TRANS/WP15/2001/12) a revised version

of its proposal to add in subsection 1.1.3.1 an exemption for dangerous goods transported in small quantities by craftsmen, farmers and retailers. The goal was to deregulate the transport of small amount of dangerous goods to solve the specific implementation problems encountered by these products in the final part of the distribution chain

This revised version of the proposal was not carried. Any new exemption from the ADR/RID requirements in 1.1.3.related to the nature of the transport operation was clearly rejected by a majority of Memberstates. However very few critics on the technical content of the proposal were made.

This new draft takes in consideration these elements and integrates the amendments proposed respectively in 1.1.3.6 “Exemptions related to quantities carried per transport unit” and in 3.4 “Exemptions related to dangerous goods packed in limited quantities”.

2. Proposal

Add at the end of 1.1.3.6 a new sub-section 1.1.3.6.6

1.1.3.6.6 Where the quantity of dangerous goods carried on a transport unit in transport category 2,3 or4, as expressed in column (3) of table 1.1.3.6.3, does not exceed 50 the provisions of ADR do not apply

Insert after 3.4.5 a new sub-section 3.4.6 as follows:

3.4.6 The provisions of ADR do not apply to the transport of inner packaging (as described in 3.4.3, 3.4.4 and 3.4.5) apart from the outer packaging when the quantity of dangerous goods on a transport unit does not exceed 50 kg or 50 litres

and assign the table presently in 3.4.6 to subsection 3.4.7

3. Justification

Such a provision will facilitate the compliance with the ADR requirement at the last stages of the distribution chain without negative impact on safety.