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PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Changes to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2006/82

Transmitted by the Expert from Canada

Background

- **1.** The expert from Canada believes that two paragraphs, namely paragraphs 10 and 12, on page 4 of the proposal contained in ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2006/82 require clarification.
- 2. ISO TS 16111:2006 prescribes requirements for units containing hydrogen in metal hydride that have a water capacity up to 150 L but provides for simplified requirements for units with a water capacity less than or equal to 120 ml. These simplified requirements are described in the Annex to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2006/82.
- **3.** The proposals in ST/SG/AC.10.C.3/2006/82 are intended to address fuel cell cartridges containing hydrogen in metal hydride with a water capacity less than or equal to 120 ml, as noted in paragraph 3 of the paper.

Proposal to amend ST/SG/AC.10.C.3/2006/82

- 1. The expert from Canada proposes to correct the reference to ISO TS 16111 and to add a sentence at the end of Item 10 of ST/SG/AC.10.C.3/2006/82, which amends special provision 328, so that the proposed special provision 328 would read as follows with the new modifications underlined and in bold type:
 - "328 This entry applies to fuel cell cartridges including when contained in equipment or packed with equipment. Fuel cell cartridges installed in or integral to a fuel cell system are regarded as contained in equipment. Fuel cell cartridge means an article that stores fuel for discharge into the fuel cell through a valve(s) that controls the discharge of fuel into the fuel cell. Fuel cell cartridges, including when contained in

<u>equipment</u>, shall be designed and constructed to prevent fuel leakage under normal conditions of transport.

Fuel cell cartridge design types using liquids as fuels shall pass an internal pressure test at a pressure of 100 kPa (gauge) without leakage.

Except for fuel cell cartridges containing hydrogen in metal hydride which shall be in compliance with ISO TS 16111: **2006**, each fuel cell cartridge design type shall be shown to pass a 1.2 meter drop test onto an unyielding surface in the orientation most likely to result in failure of the containment system with no loss of contents.

<u>Fuel cell cartridges containing hydrogen in metal hydride transported under</u> <u>this shipping name shall have a water capacity less than or equal to 120 ml.</u>"

- 2. In Item 12, the expert from Canada proposes to change the first sentence of proposed special provision 3CC to read as follows with the new modifications underlined and in bold type:
 - "3CC Fuel cell cartridges containing hydrogen in a metal hydride <u>transported under this</u> <u>shipping name shall have a water capacity less than or equal to 120 ml</u>, shall be in compliance with ISO TS 16111<u>: 2006</u> and, except during the fire test, shall pass all the required tests without leakage.

Fuel cell cartridges containing hydrogen in a metal hydride which are transported as limited quantities in accordance with Chapter 3.4 shall have a water capacity less than or equal to 120 ml and shall not contain more than 25 g of hydrogen."