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Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)

Attached is a copy of a proposal submitted by EIGA to the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

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PACKAGINGS (including IBCs and large packagings)

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Introduction

Salvage packagings are defined in Chapter 1.2. Their use is submitted to conditions defined in 4.1.1.17.

Sub-section 4.1.11.17.2 refers to salvage packagings "mentioned in 6.1.5.1.11". This reference to provisions of Chapter 6.1 only could give the impression that salvage packagings for pressure receptacles are not authorised.

EIGA proposes that sufficient requirements should be inserted in Chapter 6.2 for salvage packagings designed for the transport of packagings containing gases of Class 2. Those provisions should be referred to also in 4.1.1.17.2.

Proposal 1

Proposal 1a: Amend 4.1.1.17.1 as follows (new text is underlined):

"Damaged, defective, leaking or non-conforming packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked may be transported in salvage packagings mentioned in 6.1.5.1.11 and 6.2.1.1.9"

Proposal 1b: Add the following new second sentence to 4.1.1.17.3:

"The contents of the damaged or leaking pressure receptacle shall be limited in pressure and volume so that if totally discharged into the salvage receptacle, the pressure in the salvage receptacle will not exceed the 2/3 of the test pressure of the salvage receptacle."

Proposal 2

Add a new sub-section 6.2.1.1.9 as follows:

6.2.1.1.9 *Salvage receptacles*

- 6.2.1.1.9.1 Salvage receptacles shall be:
 - (a) designed and manufactured in accordance with a construction code recognised by the competent authority of the country of approval;
 - (b) equipped with gaskets, valves compatible with the gases intended to be transported;
 - (c) hydraulically tested at its design pressure before approval and afterwards every 5 years; and
 - (d) marked durably with the letters "SALVAGE RECEPTACLE" at least 50 mm high.