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Introduction

- 1. When dangerous goods are transported, a serious accident or accident may occur in the territory of Member States applying COTIF and SMGS. In order to take a prompt decision on issues relating to ensuring the safety of transport, it may become necessary urgently to inform the consignor or the consignee of dangerous goods about the incident.
- 2. We therefore propose to make it mandatory to provide the phone number (fax) or email address of the consignor and consignee of the dangerous goods in the consignment note. We believe that if information on an incident that has occurred during the transport of dangerous goods is brought to the attention of the consignor and consignee as soon as possible, this will contribute to improving transport safety.

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Proposal

Amend paragraphs g and h of RID/ADR 5.4.1.1.1 as follows:

- "g) the name, address, telephone (fax) or email address of the consignor (RID only:) (see also CIM Article 7 § 1 (b));
- h) the name, address. telephone number (fax) or email address of the consignee(s) (RID only:) (see also CIM Article 7 § 1 (g)) (rest of ADR text unchanged);".

Justification

This amendment enhances transport safety and harmonises the requirements for transport by rail under different legal regimes for the transport of dangerous goods over large areas.

Enforcement

There are no enforcement difficulties.
