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**Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

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European Agreement concerning the International Carriage
of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)**

**(ADN Safety Committee)**

**Forty-first session**

Geneva, 23-27 January 2023

Item 6 of the provisional agenda

**Reports of informal working groups**

 Minutes of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Group of Recommended ADN Classification Societies

 Submitted by the Group of Recommended ADN Classification Societies[[1]](#footnote-2)\*,[[2]](#footnote-3)\*\*,[[3]](#footnote-4)\*\*\*

Date: 26 October 2022, 09:30 – 12:30 hrs

Location: online – meeting via Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

* Bureau Veritas (BV): Mr. Guy Jacobs, Raffaele Cocito
* Croatian Register of Shipping (CRS): Mr. Ivan Bilić-Prcić (chairman), Mr. Vedran Klisarić
* Det Norske Veritas (DNV): Mr. Torsten Dosdahl
* Lloyds Register (LR): Mr. Bas Joormann, Mr. Karel Vinke
* Registro Italiano Navale (RINA): Mr. Patrizio Di Francesco
* Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RS): Mr. Sergey Legusha
* Russian River Register (RCS): Mr. Michael Kozin
* Shipping Register of Ukraine (SRU): Mr. Mykola Slozko

 I. Opening

1. The chair welcomed the participants for this online meeting. He also noted the absence of the observer of the ADN Safety Committee. The agenda was adopted with slight changes. LR proposed to add a new topic under item 6: Any other business regarding the Funding on the translations of ISGINNT (International Safety Guide for Inland Navigation Tank-barges and Terminals).

 II. Minutes of the twenty-third meeting, action points - document23 IG 10

1. The list of action points was discussed.

 (a) Propylene Oxide (Action LR) –document 17 IG 02a + document 22 IG 02a

1. This topic isn’t finalised yet and will remain on the agenda (action LR).

 (b) High velocity valves related to higher temperatures (action BV+RINA) *-* document 19 IG 02h

1. The topic isn’t finalised yet. The risk assessment will be organised by RINA. Classification societies LR, BV and CRS will attend as well. DNV will consider attending based on experts availability (action RINA+LR/BV/CRS).

 (c) Compliance with the EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012 – document 22 IG 10 - Minutes of Meeting of the twenty-second meeting 2021-10-29 (2f) and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2//82, B (58)

1. The topic isn’t finalised yet. LR will sent a draft of a document before the end of November 2022 (action LR).

 III. Items from the last ADN Safety Committee session (document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/82)

1. List of interpretations – document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/82, C, Topic 1(16), Interpretation to transitional provision 1.6.7.2.2.2 related to 9.3.x.40.2 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/29)
2. The document has been introduced by Mr. Dosdahl (DNV) and it has been adopted. It will be sent to the ADN Safety Committee for final adoption. The topic is closed.
3. List of interpretations – document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/82, C, Topic 1(17) Interpretation of the Regulations annexed to ADN
4. The Group collected the list of requested interpretations from the previous sessions of the ADN Safety Committee. The list is below:
* Informal document INF.4 of the nineteenth session (August 2011), item 6)
* Informal document INF.6 of the twentieth session, (January 2012), item 6. d) and f)
* Informal document INF.3 of the twenty-first session (August 2012), item 6. i)
* Informal document INF.9 of the twenty-second session (January 2013), item 6. a), g), i) and l)
* Informal document INF.23 of the twenty-fourth session (January 2014), items2/10, 3/15, 4b/18, 4d/20, 5f/40, 5h/44, 45, 6/48 and 49
* Informal document INF.13 of the twenty-fifth session (August 2014), paragraphs 4a, 4b and 4c
* Informal document INF.30 of the twenty-sixth session (January 2015)
* Informal document INF.5 of the twenty-sixth session (January 2015), items 3b and 4b
* Informal document INF.14 of the twenty-eighth session (January 2016), part 2, items (5), (20) and (24)
* Informal document INF.13 of the thirtieth session (January 2017), items 2.7and 2.8
* Informal document INF.10 of the thirty-first session (August 2017), items 4 (e) and 6
* Informal document INF.12 of the thirty-second session (January 2018), part II., paragraph 2 (h)
* Informal document INF.4 of the thirty-fourth session (January 2019), items 4 c), d) and f)
* Informal document INF.11 of the thirty-fifth session (August 2019), items 4(c), (d), (i), (k) m) and (r)
* Informal document INF.9 of the thirty-sixth session (January 2020), items 3.i., 4.b. and c.
1. It was decided that these documents will be checked, and a common list will be prepared. CRS will draft a general document which can be completed by the others. DNV takes the first five documents (2011- Jan 2014), LR nos. 6-10 (August 2014-January 2017), and BV nos. 11-15 (August 2017-2020). BV will also check the reports which are not on the list. CRS will organise a meeting for discussing the results.
2. The final document will be submitted to the ADN Safety Committee for the January 2023 session (action BV/CRS/DNV/LR).
3. Report on the twelfth meeting of the informal working group on substances - Informal documents: INF.12 (Germany/CCNR), INF.18 (EBU/ESO) of the fortieth session of the ADN Safety Committee
4. Item C: Discussion of the entries in Table C containing remark 44

The issue is that a lot of cargoes are repeating in the cargo list. Mr. Vinke (LR) is working on a new version of the LR list of substances in which these double entries are being avoided to make the list better readable.

Mr. Dosdahl (DNV) proposed to ask the safety committee and the informal working group on substances to verify whether it would be a solution to change back the system in Table C as it was before the star positions were introduced. DNV and LR will make a document with issue explanation and a new proposal (action LR and DNV).

1. Item H: Remark 37 that is not used in Table C

After discussion, Mr. Dosdahl (DNV) proposed to leave the remark in the ADN Regulation and the Group accepted the proposal. The topic is closed.

1. Revision of 9.3.4 of ADN – document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/82, IX. Any other business, Topic A (72-75), Informal document INF. 22 (TNO)
2. Mr. Joormann (LR) gave an update on the project. The final report has been published by TNO. They are preparing a document for the next ADN Safety Committee meeting with proposals for some changes of the calculation methods as described in 9.3.4. The investigation has shown that cargo tanks larger than 1.000 m3 will not be desirable. However, this can be further investigated for the transport of LNG.

 IV. Technical issues

1. No new issues.

 V. Exchange of experiences between Classification Societies

1. ADN Interpretation of explosion hazardous areas (Document IG 24 05a)

Mr. Klisaric (CSR) introduced the document. This issue has been discussed already when the explosion requirements were introduced in the ADN Regulation. The outcome of the discussions at that time will be checked and shared with the group (action LR).

 VI. Any other business

1. Drafting of the proposal on the use of low-flashpoint fuels (LR+EBU)
2. Mr. Joormann (LR) gave an update on the subject. In cooperation with EBU, Mr. Joormann (LR) is drafting a new document for the ADN Safety Committee. It appeared that the use of low flashpoint fuels had already been accepted by the ADN Safety Committee as long as the requirements of Annex 8 of ES-TRIN are being fulfilled. This will be reflected in the document (action LR).
3. Funding on the translations of International Safety Guide for Inland Navigation Tank-barges and Terminals (ISGINNT)
4. An additional item was introduced by Mr. Joormann (LR) on the funding of translations of ISGINNT as asked for by the CCNR. Some classification societies (BV, DNV and LR) have been approached for this funding. The Group was informed that they have all decided not to contribute to this. It also seems there is no real need for these translations. The topic is closed.
5. The number of positions under explosion group IIB
6. This item has been discussed under agenda item 3c.
7. Election of Chair of the Group for the period 2023-2024
8. Mr. Joormann (LR) was elected to chair the group in the next two years, for the period of 2023-2024.

 VII. Date and location of the next meeting

1. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 22 March 2023. The location needs to be decided upon, but it’s proposed to hold it in Brussels.

 VIII. Closing

1. The chair closed the meeting at 12.30 and thanked all participants for this fruitful meeting.

1. \* This document was submitted late due to unforeseen circumstances. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. \*\* Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2023/13. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. \*\*\* A/76/6 (Sect.20), para. 20.76. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)