DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE

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Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Technical Instructions* for incorporation in the 2007/2008 edition
2.4: Part 4 — Packing Instructions

PACKAGINGS FOR SELF-REACTIVE SUBSTANCES AND DIVISION 5.2

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Part 4;6.1 and Part 4;7.1 set out general requirements for self-reactive substances of Division 4.1 and substances in Division 5.2 respectively.

1.2 Included in these general requirements is a sentence restricting the use of certain packagings, as follows:

> "To avoid unnecessary confinement, metal packaging meeting Packing Group I requirements must not be used."

1.3 The presence of this sentence causes some confusion for shippers however, as the specific Packing Instructions 427, 428, 429 & 430 for self-reactive substances and 500, 502, 510 & 513 for Division 5.2 substances do not permit metal inner or outer packagings.

2. PROPOSAL

2.1 Delete the identified sentences from Part 4;6.1 and Part 4;7.1.1 respectively.

2.2 If the Panel believes that the sentence provides useful guidance for States issuing exemptions for the transport of self-reactive substances of Division 4.1 and substances in Division 5.2, consider the inclusion of the sentence into the Supplement to the Technical Instructions as Part S-4;6.1.3 and Part S-4;7.1 respectively.

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