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 2005/2006 edition

LABEL – EXCEPTED PACKAGES OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Part 2;7.9.1 a) identifies the provisions of the Technical Instructions that apply to the transport of excepted packages of radioactive material.

1.2 Among those provisions applicable are those in Part 7;3.2.2 and 7;4.4, which address handling of damaged or leaking packages and reporting of dangerous goods accidents and incidents.

1.3 The difficulty for an operator is that there is minimal marking required on an excepted package and no hazard or other label that easily identifies that the package is an excepted package of radioactive material.

2. PROPOSAL 1

2.1 Add a new 'd)' to Part 5;3.2.11 as follows:

d) for excepted packages of radioactive material the "Radioactive Material - Excepted Package" label (Figure 5-27) must be affixed. The shipper must complete the label by deleting the non-applicable UN numbers, Proper Shipping Names and where applicable qualifying information. The label must be signed and dated by the shipper and the title of the shipper and the shipper's name and address must be shown on the label.

2.2 Amend Part 2;7.9.1 a) as follows:

a) the applicable requirements specified in 2; Introductory Chapter, 4.2, 2;7.9.2, and, as applicable, 2;7.9.3 to 2;7.9.6, 4;9.1.2, 5;2.4.1.1, 5;2.4.2, 5;2.4.5 a), 5;3.2.11, 5;4.5, 7;3.2.2 and 7;4.4;