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
2.7: Part 7 — Operator's Responsibilities

SEGREGATION BETWEEN PACKAGES (TABLE 7-1) AND DIFFERENT DANGEROUS GOODS PACKED IN ONE PACKAGE (PART 4;1.1.7)

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Note 3 in Table 7-1 specifies that packages containing dangerous goods with multiple hazards in the class or divisions which require segregation in accordance with Table 7-1 need not to be segregated from other packages bearing the same UN number.

Example:
UN 2965 **Boron trifluoride dimethyl etherate**

Division 4.3 subsidiary risks 3 and 8

According to the abovementioned note, different packages containing UN 2965 need not to be segregated because the UN number is the same for all the packages (normally 4.3 and 8 require segregation). The reasoning behind is correct because we have the same product in all the packages.

1.2 Based on this note a shipper is allowed to transport 2 different dangerous goods, which would normally require segregation in accordance with Table 7-1, together in one package simply because they have the same UN number.(see Part 4; 1.1.8 (d)).

Example:
UN 3129 **Water-reactive liquid, corrosive, n.o.s** (Product A)

UN 3129 **Water-reactive liquid, corrosive, n.o.s** (Product B)

In case product A and product B would have been listed by name in the Dangerous Goods List segregation would have been required.

Although the shipper has prepared his shipment in accordance with the regulations, the handling agent refused the shipment because he was of the opinion that the note was only applicable to identical products.

2. PROPOSAL

2.1 As we are of the opinion that the original intention of note 3 was to allow the loading of different packages containing the same product without segregation following amendment to note 3 is proposed:

> Packages containing dangerous goods with multiple hazards in the class or divisions which require segregation in accordance with Table 7-1 need not to be segregated from other packages bearing the same UN number and the same proper shipping name, including the technical name if applicable.

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