



WORKING PAPER

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-FIRST MEETING

Montréal, 5 to 16 November 2007

Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2009-2010 Edition

Agenda Item 5: Resolution, where possible, of the non-recurrent work items identified by the Air Navigation Commission or the panel

5.4: Review of provisions for dangerous goods relating to lithium batteries

LITHIUM BATTERIES — SPECIAL PROVISION A45

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes an amendment to Special Provision A45 of the Technical Instructions to require shippers of lithium batteries to receive training commensurate with their responsibilities.

Action by the DGP is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Part 1, Chapter 4 of the Technical Instructions specifies in paragraph 4.1 and 4.2 that shippers of dangerous goods must receive training commensurate with their responsibilities. A shipper of **Lithium batteries** (UN 3090) must be trained in dangerous goods unless the only lithium batteries he ships are those which meet the provisions of A45. In such a case, he needs not be trained in dangerous goods as such lithium batteries are not subject to other provisions of the Technical Instructions. The current wording of Special Provision A45 implies that lithium batteries meeting the provisions of A45 are not regulated. It is proposed that all shippers of lithium batteries (including those meeting A45) must be given training commensurate with their responsibilities.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP

2.1 The DGP is invited to *amend* the first sentence of Special Provision A45 as follows:

A45 Lithium cells and batteries offered for transport are not subject to other provisions of these Instructions, except those pertaining to training as provided in 1.4, if they meet the following:

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