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

APPROVAL OF THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY

(Presented by D. Brennan)

SUMMARY

This working paper seeks the opinion of the panel regarding the request for approvals and which party is responsible for, or may request an approval.

Action by the DGP is in paragraph 2.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 There are a number of special provisions listed in Table 3-2 in the Technical Instructions and in Table S-3-4 of the Supplement where substances or articles may be transported "with the approval of the appropriate authority of the State of origin".
- 1.2 For some special provisions, e.g. A1, A2, A88 the wording is clear that the person who will apply for the approval will be the shipper of the substance or article. However the wording of Special Provision A202 in the Supplement, which relates to systems that use oxygen to provide life support to aquatic animals during transport, is not as clear regarding who may, or is required to request the approval.

2. **ACTION BY THE DGP**

2.1 The DGP is invited to comment on whether they would issue an approval to a person other than a shipper or operator. Based on comments received a proposal by way of a flimsy may be produced for consideration at DGP/21.

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