

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

NINETEENTH MEETING

Montreal, 27 October to 7 November 2003

Agenda Item 2 Development of recommendations for amendments to the Technical : Instructions for incorporation in the 2005/2006 edition

DANGEROUS GOODS TRAINING

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Part I, Chapter 4 of the ICAO Technical Instructions specify that training programs must be established and maintained. The Technical Instructions states that training programs for operators "must be subjected to review and approval by the appropriate authority of the State of the Operator". The Technical Instructions also specifies the training Curricula and various categories of staff that require training. An ad hoc working group was formed to review the various papers submitted to the meeting on training and report back their findings to the meeting as a whole. However, with all these discussions taking place, there has never been any mention on how this training could now be delivered. We all agree that the most common form of delivery is face-to-face training, however, with improved technologies and electronic delivery methods, most Dangerous Goods awareness courses use Computer-Based Training (CBT) methods for delivery.

1.2 With this method of training becoming widely accepted even for university degrees, consideration must be given to provide dangerous goods acceptance and recertification courses using either full Computer-Based Training (CBT) or Blended delivery. Airlines have been forced to review every method of reducing costs and the on-going delivery of dangerous goods courses to maintain compliance is a major cost to operators.

1.3 The development of Computer-Based Training (CBT) or Blended courses must meet the requirements of the regulations and must ensure that staff have gained the required knowledge and have reached the required competency required of them. Course security must be part of the Computer-Based

Training (CBT) or Blended courses to confirm that the relevant staffs are in fact completing the course and exams.

2. **PROPOSAL**

2.1 In Part I, Chapter 4, renumber existing paragraph 4.2.5 as 4.2.6 and add a new paragraph 4.2.5 as proposed below.

4.2.5 Dangerous Goods training may be provided using different didactic and delivery methods such as classroom type training, self-teach training, computer-based training, blended delivery, etc.

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