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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

2.3: Part 3 — Dangerous Goods List and Limited Quantities Exceptions

ARRANGEMENT OF THE DANGEROUS GOODS LIST

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes an amendment to the description of the “Name” column of the dangerous goods list.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The explanation for “Column 1” in Part 3, Chapter 2 states that the light type entries in Table 3-1 relate to alternative names by which some articles and substances may be known. However, light type entries are also used for articles or substances which are forbidden under any circumstances, or which are subject to further consideration under a special provision. This may seem an insignificant matter, but questions were raised in the United Kingdom when an investigation was undertaken into a fire caused by batteries, electric storage. The question was asked as to whether these were in fact “dangerous goods” because the definition of dangerous goods is limited to those items listed in Table 3-1 and it was queried whether a light type entry was a listed item of dangerous goods. It is suggested the explanation of Column 1 should be revised to avoid any confusion.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to *amend* Part 3, Chapter 2, paragraph 2.1.1 as follows:

2.1 ARRANGEMENT OF THE DANGEROUS GOODS LIST (TABLE 3-1)

2.1.1 The Dangerous Goods List (Table 3-1) is divided into 12 columns as follows:

Column 1 “Name” — this column contains the alphabetically arranged list of dangerous goods, identified by their proper shipping names in boldface characters (see 1.2). Also included, in lightface type, are:

a) other names by which certain articles and substances may be known; in such cases a cross reference to the proper shipping name is given;

b) names of articles and substances which are forbidden for carriage by air under any circumstances; and

c) names of articles and substances which are subject to additional considerations under Special Provisions.

An explanation of some of the terms used appears in Attachment 2.

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