# 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 the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2013/2014 Edition

2.7: Part 7 — Operator's Responsibilities

## LOADING OF UN 2211 POLYMERIC BEADS, EXPANDABLE AND UN 3314 PLASTICS MOULDING COMPOUND

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#### **SUMMARY**

This paper proposes the modification of Part 7;2.12 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) to ensure that both applicable UN numbers and proper shipping names are referred to.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

#### 1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Part 7;2.12 of the Technical Instructions makes reference to "expandable polymeric beads (or granules), or plastic moulding materials, referenced to Packing Instruction 957". However, the title is misleading as it specifies only one product "2.12 LOADING OF EXPANDABLE POLYMERIC BEADS".
- 1.2 Air operators have a tendency of developing the segment of their operations manuals relating to the loading of POLYMERIC BEADS, EXPANDABLE, applying the 100 kg net mass restriction in one inaccessible aircraft hold and disregarding the same provision for PLASTICS MOULDING COMPOUND. We suspect that, as it is not clearly identified in the title, operators may be overlooking this provision.
- 1.3 We also believe that, by adding the applicable UN numbers, it would alleviate any confusion as to what dangerous goods we are referring to.

#### 2. **ACTION BY THE DGP-WG**

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to consider revising the title of the paragraph of Part 7;2.12 to the following:

#### Part 7

## **OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

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## Chapter 2

## STORAGE AND LOADING

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2.12 LOADING OF <u>UN 2211-EXPANDABLE</u>, POLYMERIC BEADS, <u>EXPANDABLE OR UN 3314</u>, <u>PLASTICS MOULDING COMPOUND</u>

A total of not more than 100 kg net mass of expandable polymeric beads (or granules), or plastic moulding materials, referenced to Packing Instruction 957, may be carried in any inaccessible hold on any aircraft.

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