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DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE MODEL REGULATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

PROPOSAL TO AMEND AN ENTRY IN CHAPTER 3.2

Transmitted by the European Confederation of Paint, Printing Ink and Artists' Colours

Manufacturers' Association (CEPE).

Proposal to amend the entry in Chapter 3.2 for UN1210.

Amend the Name and Description in column (2) for UN1210 to read;-

"PRINTING INK, flammable, or PRINTING INK RELATED MATERIAL (including printing ink thinning or reducing compound), flammable"

Justification

Flammable Printing Inks are a form of surface coating in the same manner as Paints which are covered by the entry 1263 in column number (1) of Chapter 3.2. They are subject to similar requirements necessitating their ability to be thinned prior to use or for the cleaning of application equipment, which requires special blends of flammable solvents. The entry for UN1263 allows the alternative name and description of "Paint Related Material". A similar entry is required by the Printing Ink manufacturing industry to overcome the practical problems encountered in the transport of thinners, reducing compounds and cleaners for Printing Inks.