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

Listing and classification

Amendment relating to UN 1153 Ethylene glycol diethyl ether

Transmitted by the expert from Germany

Background

In this paper the expert from Germany is proposing to correct an error in the dangerous goods list of the UN Model Regulations related to UN 1153 Ethylene glycol diethyl ether.

Known flashpoint data from practice and data bases seemed to be inconsistent to the classification of this substance in several transport regulations (UN, IMDG Code, ADR/RID). Therefore the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt measured the flashpoint again (Fluka[®] product with content >99%) to prove the classification. According to ISO 3679 (for closed cup Seta flash apparatus) a flashpoint of 19,0 °C was found.

Proposal:

Amend the entry for UN 1153 ETHYLENE GLYCOL DIETHYL ETHER in the dangerous goods list to read:

UN No.	Name and description	Class	Subs. risk	Pack. group	SP	Limited quantity	Packagings and IBC		Portable tanks	
							Packing instruct.	SP	Portable tank	Portable tank
(1)	(2)	(3)	4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	instruct.	SP (11)
1153	ETHYLENE GLYCOL DIETHYL ETHER	3		II	(0)	1 L	P001 IBC02	(2)	T4	TP1