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CHAPTER 6.8

TANKS FOR THE CARRIAGE OF ETHANOL

Transmitted by the Government of France*

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The purpose of this proposal is to authorize the replacement of the internal stop-valve by an external stop-valve for tanks intended for the carriage of ethanol, UN No. 1170.

Action to be taken: Inclusion of a TE special provision in 6.8.4.

The multilateral agreements M76 and 77 signed by nine countries authorize the replacement of the internal stop-valve by an external stop-valve providing additional protection in tanks intended for the carriage of ethanol, UN No. 12170.

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This possibility provides a solution for the difficulties encountered by companies specializing in the alternate carriage of ethanol of Class 3 and foodstuffs in connection with the closing devices of bottom-discharge tanks and in particular the clogging of the internal stop-valve.

It is proposed that this possibility should be included in Chapter 6.8 of RID/ADR in the form of a special provision for items of equipment.

Proposal

In 6.8.4, add the following special provision TE22:

"**TE22** The internal stop-valve may be replaced by an external stop-valve providing additional protection."

In Table A of Chapter 3.2, UN No. 1170, insert "TE22" in column (13).