



**Economic and Social
Council**

Distr.
GENERAL

TRANS/SC.2/2004/9
23 July 2004

Original: ENGLISH

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Working Party on Rail Transport

(Fifty-eighth session, 27-29 October 2004,
agenda item 8)

INTEROPERABILITY OF CONVENTIONAL RAIL SYSTEMS

Transmitted by the European Commission (EC)

In 2003 the Committee, established under Art. 21 of the Directive 2001/16/CE, adopted a document defining the rail system architecture (Art.23 of Directive 2001/16/CE) and a document defining the “draft reference system” (national or international rules and standards which are applicable until the TSIs are approved) (Art. 25 of Directive. 2001/16/CE).

Commission Decision 2004/446/EC of 29 April 2004 specifying the basic parameters of the "Noise", "Freight Wagons" and "Telematic applications for freight" Technical Specifications for Interoperability referred to in Directive 2001/16/EC.

Commission Decision 2004/447/EC of 29 April 2004 modifying Annex A of the Commission Decision 2002/731/EC of 30 May 2002 and establishing the main characteristics of Class A system (ERTMS) of the control-command and signalling subsystem of the trans-European conventional rail system referred to in Directive 2001/16/EC.