



WORKING PAPER

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

Montréal, 5 to 16 October 2009

Agenda Item 5: Resolution, where possible, of the non-recurrent work items identified by the Air Navigation Commission or the panel:

5.3: Review of provisions for dangerous goods relating to batteries:

- a) **lithium batteries**
- b) **battery-powered devices**
- c) **battery-powered mobility aids**

PROVISION OF INFORMATION FOR BATTERY SHIPMENTS

(Presented by M. Rogers)

SUMMARY

This paper would introduce a new requirement for information specific to battery shipments to be placed at cargo acceptance points.

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to revise Part 7, Chapter 4 as shown in the appendix to this working paper.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Since 1991, the United States Federal Aviation Administration has compiled a list of over 100 battery incidents in air transportation involving smoke, fire, extreme heat or explosion. Many of these incidents were the result of shipments not prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Technical Instructions.

1.2 In order to increase awareness of the requirements of the Technical Instructions and improve compliance, it is proposed that specific guidance relative to battery shipments be placed at all cargo acceptance points. It is further proposed that this guidance include visual examples of dangerous goods, to include batteries.

APPENDIX

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part 7

OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 4

PROVISION OF INFORMATION

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4.7 CARGO ACCEPTANCE AREAS — PROVISION OF INFORMATION

An operator or the operator's handling agent must ensure that notices giving information about the transport of dangerous goods, sufficient in number and prominently displayed, are provided at acceptance points for cargo. These notices must include:

- a) visual examples of dangerous goods, to include batteries; and
- b) information specific to the proper preparation of shipments containing batteries, including equipment packed with or containing batteries.

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