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DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTIETH MEETING

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Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2007-2008 Edition

AVALANCHE RESCUE BACKPACK

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 At DGP/18 (see WP/20) the decision was taken to include a avalanche rescue backpack in Part 8; Chapter 1.1.2. The existing text in the Technical Instructions is not consistent with the specification of the avalanche rescue backpack which is equipped with a 220 ml cartridge.

2. PROPOSAL

2.1 Amend Part 8; 1.1.2 p) as follows:

with the approval of the operator(s), one avalanche rescue backpack per person equipped with a pyrotechnic trigger mechanism containing not more than 200 mg net of Division 1.4S and ~~not more than~~ a small cylinder of compressed gas of Division 2.2 not exceeding 250 mg ml ~~of compressed gas in Division 2.2.~~ The backpack must be packed in such a manner that it cannot be accidentally activated. The airbags within the backpack must be fitted with pressure relief valves; and...

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