

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

Virtual, 15 to 19 November 2021

- Agenda Item 2: Managing air-specific safety risks and identifying anomalies (*Ref: REC A DGS* 2023)
 - 2.3: Develop proposals, if necessary, for amendments to the Supplement to the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284SU) for incorporation in the 2023-2024 Edition

REPORT OF THE DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL WORKING GROUP ON THE SUPPLEMENT (DGP-WG/SUPPLEMENT

(Presented by the Rapporteur of the DGP-WG/Supplement)

SUMMARY

This information paper provides a summary of the activities and upcoming work schedule of the DGP Working Group on the Supplement (DGP-WG/Supplement).

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The DGP Working Group on the Supplement (DGP-WG/Supplement) was established at the DGP Working Group Meeting (DGP-WG/20, 19 to 23 October 2020) with the mission of providing guidance to States that supplements the Technical Instructions or explains in greater depth the information contained within Annex 18.
- 1.2 DGP-WG/Supplement consists of sixteen members (see Appendix A) and has convened five virtual meetings since DGP-WG/21 in May 2021.
- 1.3 DGP-WG/Supplement was assigned four specific tasks for the working group (full Terms of Reference attached in Appendix B):
 - 1) Develop and propose guidance to States to support industry in achieving an acceptable level of safety;
 - 2) Develop and propose guidance to assist States in granting approvals and exemptions;

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- 3) Ensure that the Supplement is maintained and kept up to date; and,
- 4) Provide input to the DGP Guidance for the Panel to Aid in Preparation of the Technical Instructions and Supporting Documents.

2. CURRENT WORK SCHEDULE

- 2.1 Following on from the outcomes of DGP/WG-21 and with respect to the proposed work schedule of this working group, DGP-WG/Supplement reviewed and prioritized the work packages gathered, presenting these to the panel (via correspondence in August) for review and endorsement.
- 2.2 From this, the DGP-WG/Supplement has decided to focus on the first two priorities set within the work schedule, being:
 - 1) Developing a process for future maintenance and amendment of the Supplement, where DGP-WG/Supplement continues to develop Chapter 10 of the document *Guidance for the Panel to Aid in Preparation of the Technical Instructions*; and,
 - 2) Review and update the guidance material in Attachment I to Chapter 1, the *Guidance* for processing exemptions and approvals for the safe transport of dangerous goods by air.
- 2.3 DGP-WG/Supplement notes that the document *Guidance for the Panel to Aid in Preparation of the Technical Instructions* is ready for presentation to the DGP for review and acceptance at DGP/28. DGP-WG/Supplement proposes to continue work on Section 10 of the guidance document to develop more detailed information related to the content of the Supplement to the Technical Instructions. This work and additional proposed amendments to the guidance document will be submitted for the DGP to review in the next biennium.
- 2.4 The Rapporteur of DGP-WG/Supplement would like to acknowledge the high-level of commitment demonstrated by its members to this working group and would like to express gratitude for the work completed this biennium, noting these unprecedented times.

3. WORK FOR NEXT BIENNIUM

- 1.4 The next steps for DGP-WG/Supplement will be to:
 - a) Continue developing the amendment to Chapter 10 of the document *Guidance for the Panel to Aid in Preparation of the Technical Instructions*, with the goal of delivering an amendment to this section for review and acceptance by the DGP in the next biennium; and,
 - b) Continue to develop the update to the guidance material in Attachment I to Chapter 1 with the view of delivering an amendment for review and acceptance by the DGP in the next biennium.

APPENDIX A

WORKING GROUP ON THE SUPPLEMENT — LIST OF MEMBERS

	Participant	State/International Organisation
1	Sam Bitossi (Rapporteur)	Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) ICAO DGP member – Australia
2	Dave Brennan	International Air Transport Association ICAO DGP member – IATA
3	Candy Chan	International Air Transport Association
4	Leonardo Cascardo (Co-Rapporteur)	Agência Nacional de Aviação Civil ICAO DGP member – Brazil
5	Masaomi Araya	Civil Aviation Bureau (CAB) ICAO DGP member – Japan
6	Alex McCulloch	Global Express Association (GEA)
7	Paolo Privitera	ENAC - Ente Nazionale Aviazione Civile Italian Civil Aviation Authority ICAO DGP member – Italy
8	Bheki Ngiba	South African Civil Aviation Authority
9	Remko Dardenne	Belgium Civil Aviation Authority
10	Kristel Vermeersch	KVS & Partners bvba
11	Erwin Sigrist	European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)
12	Andy Altemos	Dangerous Goods Advisory Council (DGAC)
13	Ejan Petrie	US Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
14	Michael Givens	US Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
15	Keith Ranck	US Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
16	Kevin Leary	US Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)

APPENDIX B

WORKING GROUP ON THE SUPPLEMENT — TERMS OF REFERENCE

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL WORKING GROUP OF THE SUPPLEMENT (DGP-WG/SUPPLEMENT)					
TERMS OF REFERENCE					
Mission	Provide guidance to States that supplements the Technical Instructions or explains in greater depth the basic information contained within Annex 18.				
Tasks	 Develop and propose guidance to States to support industry in achieving an acceptable level of safety. Develop and propose guidance to assist States in granting approvals and exemptions. Ensure that the Supplement is maintained and kept up to date; 2. Provide input to the DGP Guidance for the Panel to Aid in Preparation of the Technical Instructions and Supporting Documents. 3. 				
Specific working arrangements	A panel member will be appointed as the rapporteur of the working group. The rapporteur will remain impartial and avoid conflicts of interest. The function of the rapporteur is primarily to ensure that the items on the work programme for the specific group are completed in a timely and efficient manner. The rapporteur will report the working group's progress to the DGP along with any recommendations, which may include proposed draft amendments to ICAO provisions. Such reports shall be made at a minimum at each Working Group of the Whole. The working group will comprise of panel members, advisors and state observers. It will seek specialized expertise when necessary. The rapporteur will ensure a balanced representation of required expertise and reserves the right to limit the number of participants for the sake of efficiency. The working group will conduct its work informally. It will coordinate with other DGP working groups and relevant ICAO panels as appropriate. The Working Group may meet for detailed discussions as required, with ongoing correspondence and work via e-mail. The Working Group shall be assisted by the Secretariat as required.				