



INFORMATION PAPER

**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)
MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

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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 2013-2014 Edition**
- 2.3: Part 3 — Dangerous Goods List, Special Provisions and Limited and Excepted Quantities**

INERT GAS

(Presented by the Secretary)

SUMMARY

This paper provides information related to the request at DGP-WG/10 to research the inclusion of “inert gas” in Special Provision A69.

REFERENCES

DGP-WG/87-WP/40

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Subsequent to a request at DGP-WG/10 to research the inclusion of “inert gas” in Special Provision A69, the following information has been found.

1.2 At DGP-WG/87, a proposal (DGP-WG/87-WP/40) was made to add krypton to Special Provision A69. At that time, the special provision provided for electric lamps containing not more than 100 mg of mercury to be considered non-dangerous on the basis that such small amounts of mercury did not present any significant hazard during transport. The proposal to add krypton gas was made on a similar basis; it was noted it had been determined that lamps containing 0.065 g or less of krypton gas in a filament tube enclosed within a thick glass outer envelope were not subject to dangerous goods regulations. A modified proposal, extending the exception from krypton to any inert gas, was agreed.

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