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Proposal transmitted by the European Commission

Introduction

1. The European Railway Agency (ERA) undertakes a wide range of analysis and preparatory work in the fields of safety and interoperability of rail transport where the Commission exercises delegated legislative functions. Some of the work undertaken by ERA may be of general interest to the RID Committee of experts either because of possible impact on the carriage of dangerous goods or, conversely, because legislation on the carriage of dangerous goods may have an impact on existing or future legislation on interoperability and safety in the rail sector. It would also be of interest to ERA to be informed by the RID Committee of Experts on developments in RID that may affect work carried out by ERA.
2. The European Commission is of the view that it would be beneficial to have an update from ERA at each RID Committee meeting. This would be best achieved by adding a standard agenda item to each meeting of the RID Committee of experts. It is hoped that this will enhance the communication that already exists between ERA and the RID Committee of Experts and raise awareness of ongoing initiatives and analysis by ERA in the fields of rail safety and interoperability.

Proposal

3. The European Commission requests that the RID Committee of Experts adds the following agenda item to the agenda of future meetings of the RID Committee of Experts: "Information from the European Railway Agency".

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