Subject: Chapter 1.11 – Amendment of the reference to IRS 20201

Proposal transmitted by the International Union of Railways (UIC)

Introduction

1. At the 9th session of the RID Committee of Experts’ standing working group (Berne, 28 and 29 May 2018), the reason given for amending the reference to the guidance “Carriage of dangerous goods – Emergency planning guidance for rail marshalling yards” was the further development of UIC’s technical documentation. UIC Leaflet 201 had been converted into IRS 20201 at that time. At that time, the bibliographical references were also updated to take account of the significant changes to railway legislation.

2. UIC has considered that further amendments are necessary owing to the publication of new European guidance and the updating of international guidance that was already referred to in IRS 20201. This guidance deals with risk assessment and the preparation of emergency plans. In addition, amendments that vary between the German, English and French versions have been made to improve the quality of the text or to clarify certain points, including in the glossary.

3. The text of the amended IRS 20201 is the subject of informal document INF.2, which will be published shortly before the meeting of the standing working group.

Proposal

Chapter 1.11 In footnote 31, amend “1 January 2019” to read:

“1 June 2024”.

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