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**RID:** 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group  
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**Subject:** Notifications of occurrences involving dangerous goods in accordance with  
RID 1.8.5; Hamburg-Billwerder, 3 July 2013

#### **Proposal transmitted by Germany**

1. At the last session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group (Madrid, 17 to 20 November 2014), Germany submitted document OTIF/RID/CE/GTP/2014/18 which reported on an incident in Hamburg-Billwerder that had occurred when a tank-container was being transhipped from a road vehicle onto a pocket wagon (carrying wagon for the carriage of semi-trailers).
2. The crane operator failed to set the tank-container directly onto the attachment pins on the pocket wagon, and when turning, touched the supporting block on the pocket wagon. The tank-container's fittings cabinet was bent upwards and the load leaked.
3. As it cannot be ruled out that such incidents might reoccur in future, the representative of Germany was asked to submit a specific proposal for amendments, taking into account the comments that were made (see also paragraphs 15 to 17 of the final report of the Madrid session, document OTIF/RID/CE/GTP/2014-B).
4. Accordingly, Germany would like to submit the following two proposals:

**Proposal 1: “Handling” – Carry over ADR 7.5.7.4 into RID**

5. With regard to “handling”, Germany proposes that the content of ADR 7.5.7.4 also be carried over into RID.
6. In so doing, it should be remembered that the wording of ADR 7.5.7.4 was amended at the last RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting (Geneva, 15 to 25 September 2015) on the basis of proposal OTIF/RID/RC/2015/37 (Sweden and Spain). The corresponding text for RID would thus read as follows:

“The provisions of 7.5.7.1 also apply to the loading, stowage and removal of containers, tank-containers, portable tanks and MEGCs on to and from wagons.”

**Proposal 2: “Function-specific training” in RID 1.3.2.2**

7. Germany also proposes that “function-specific training” be prescribed for personnel in RID 1.3.2.2.
8. In this case, the following text could be added at the end of RID 1.3.2.2.2 (a) under “function-specific specialized training” (see RID 1.3.2.2 (b)) corresponding to category 1 (see RID 1.3.2.2.1):

“Crane drivers or personnel with an equivalent function of category 1:

- Particular aspects of loading containers onto certain carrying wagons, e.g. pocket wagons (carrying wagon for the carriage of semi-trailers).”

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