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Subject: Inclusion of obligations for Entities in Charge of Maintenance (ECM) in RID

Proposal from UIP to add a footnote to the accepted ERA wording

Proposed footnote to clarify that an ECM can take over the organisation of inspection on contractual basis (the text of 1.4.3.8 and 1.4.3.5 reflects the decisions of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group):

"1.4.3.8 Entity in charge of maintenance (ECM)

In the context of 1.4.1, the entity in charge of maintenance (ECM) shall in particular ensure that:

- (a) the maintenance of tanks and their equipment is carried out in such a way as to ensure that, under normal operating conditions, the tank-wagon satisfies the requirements of RID;
- (b) the information as defined in Article 15a § 3 of ATMF – Appendix G to COTIF and in Article 5 of Annex A to ATMF also covers the tank and its equipment;
- (c) the maintenance activities concerning the tank and its equipment are recorded in the maintenance file."

"1.4.3.5 Tank-wagon operator

In the context of 1.4.1, the tank-wagon operator shall in particular*:

- (a) ensure compliance with the requirements for construction, equipment, tests and marking;
- (b) have an exceptional check made when the safety of the shell or its equipment is liable to be impaired by a repair, an alteration or an accident;
- (c) ensure that the results of the activities as required in (a) and (b) are recorded in the tank record;
- (d) ensure that the entity in charge of maintenance (ECM) assigned to the tank-wagon holds a valid certificate covering tank wagons for dangerous goods;
- (e) ensure that the information made available to the ECM as defined in Article 15a § 3 of ATMF – Appendix G to COTIF and in Article 5 of Annex A to ATMF also covers the tank and its equipment.

* The tank-wagon operator may transfer the organisation of inspections according to Chapter 6.8 to an ECM."