

Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Transportation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Commerce, Department of Agriculture, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, and National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. For additional information on the harmonization process, please refer to the Department of State Public Notice 2526, pages 15951–15957 of the **Federal Register** of April 3, 1997.

Recent International Meetings

- Seventh Meeting of the International Labor Organization Working Group for the Harmonization of Chemical Hazard Communication, May 21–24, 2001, Geneva, Switzerland. Participants achieved consensus on most elements of the GHS, including symbols, signal words, hazard statements and safety data sheets.

- Eighteenth Consultation of the Inter-Organization Program for the Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) Coordinating Group for the Harmonization of Chemical Classification Systems, May 24–25, 2001, Geneva, Switzerland. The Coordinating Group completed its work and submitted the final document to the UN GHS Sub-Committee.

- Nineteenth Session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, July 2–6, 2001, Geneva, Switzerland. The Sub-Committee agreed on classification criteria for aerosol flammability and recommended a harmonized symbol shape/border.

- First Session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals, July 9–11, 2001, Geneva, Switzerland. This Sub-Committee is responsible for promoting adoption of the GHS, and updating the system as necessary. The Sub-Committee elected officers, considered requests for consultative status, received progress reports on the GHS development and considered plans for implementation.

Upcoming Meetings

- Second Session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals, December 12–14, 2001, Geneva, Switzerland. The Sub-Committee will review the GHS document prepared by the IOMC Coordinating Group that integrates the physical, health and environmental classification criteria and hazard communication elements; and consider

implementation issues. Meeting documents are available on the web at: http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc4/c4doc_2001.html.

- The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Task Force on Harmonization of Classification and Labeling is considering the development of classification criteria for aspiration hazards, water-activated toxicity, respiratory irritation and narcotic effects.

The Department of State is issuing this notice to help ensure that interested and potentially affected parties are aware of and knowledgeable about the GHS, and have an opportunity to offer comments. Those organizations/individuals that cannot attend the meeting may submit written comments to Marie Ricciardone, Department of State, OES/ENV Room 4325, 2201 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20520. Comments will be placed in the OSHA public docket (H–022H), which is open from 10 AM until 4 PM, at the Department of Labor, Room 2625, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC; telephone (202)219–7894; fax (202)219–5046. Interested organizations/individuals that wish to receive future notifications of GHS developments by email should contact Mary Frances Lowe at lowe.maryfrances@epa.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending November 9, 2001

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

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Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC2 EUR 0442 dated 6 November 2001; PTC2 EUR–AFR 0140 dated 6 November 2001; PTC2 EUR–ME 0122 dated 6 November 2001; Mail Vote 179—Resolution 010m; TC2 Special Passenger Amending Resolution from Tunisia to Africa, Europe, Middle East;

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Federal Register Liaison.

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