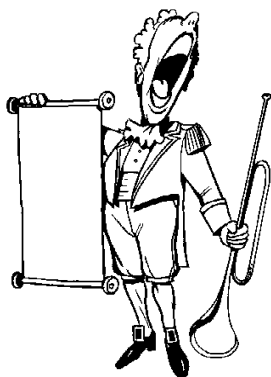




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THANK YOU EVERYONE for your reply regarding the font and email address. As you can see I've changed the font back. Also, I've kept those of you receiving The Hazmat News Network via email on the fax system for this one additional month. After this month, if I don't hear from you, I'll assume the email is working and remove you from the fax list. I still have room for more on my email list, so, please let me know your email address. And please note that for emails, the "i" in "rri" is the letter "eye", not an L. Thanks again.

UPDATE ON IATA "AEROSOL ###" PSNs. Last month I stated that the "Aerosol ###" PSNs were unacceptable PSNs. Mr. Gerber, Manager, Dangerous Goods Services for IATA, clarified this was only the case if shipped to/from/in/through the US. Outside the US the PSN was authorized. However, a recent note from Mr. Gerber indicates that more change has happened with the use of the Aerosol ### PSNs. The IATA Dangerous Goods Board (DGB) at its last meeting 1-3 March decided in light of the US DOT objections to revert back to the PSN for Aerosol shipments as found in the 38th Edition (1997) for shipments worldwide (not just those involving the US) i.e., back to the lengthier PSN. A Supplement to the 39th Edition (1998) will be issued in



early May implementing this change effective upon release of the Supplement. A copy of the Supplement will automatically be sent to all of the DGR subscribers as well as other DG contacts IATA has. If you wish to receive the Supplement, send your mailing information to: Shawn Gerber; Manager, Dangerous Goods Services; IATA; Cargo Services Department; 800 Place Victoria, 12th Floor; Montreal, Quebec, Canada; H4Z 1M1

DOCKET ACTIVITY is still slow...yea. Here they are.

- **March 2nd:** FHWA published a NPRM specifying that CMV drivers who are convicted of violating laws or regulations pertaining to railroad-highway grade crossings be disqualified from operating a CMV. A separate penalty is made to the employer of such a driver. Comments due by May 1, 1998.
- **March 10th:** FHWA published technical corrections to the final rule regarding the former ICC payment of transportation charges. The amendment removes the outdated ICC authority citations in 49 CFR 377.
- **March 10th:** FHWA published a correction to notice on State periodic inspection programs; closing of public docket. The state in subject is Ohio and it affects church buses.
- **March 12th:** FHWA published a Notice of Petition for Waiver requesting comments concerning FWHA's intent to waive certain Canadian electric utility carriers and drivers

from the alcohol and controlled substances testing requirements in connection with some emergency operations. Comments due on or before April 13, 1998.

JUST WHAT IS "IN ASSOCIATION WITH" the basic description on a shipping paper? This question seems to surface quite often. The term "in association with" means that the additional entry may follow the complete description for a hazardous material in any reasonable format as long as it is clearly part of that entry. For manifested wastes, this means the additional information must appear in the applicable block 11 entry. Except for technical names after the PSN, the inclusion of the hazard class/division text after the numeric entry, and the identification of the subsidiary hazard after the primary hazard, nothing can break up the basic description (PSN, HC, ID, PG).

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