

Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting held on 18.6.2009

Matters of Discussion

1.1 Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

- Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation [DG(G)R]
Discussion with the Department of Justice on the types of dangerous goods licence to be issued under the future DG(G)R was held. The proposal that licence(s) be granted to regulate all the activities by type had been sent to the Department of Justice for law drafting.
- Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulation
The Department of Justice's comments were still awaited.
- Dangerous Goods (Packing and Labelling) Regulation
Discussion with the Department of Justice on the draft provisions on the transitional arrangement for packing, marking and labelling requirements was underway.
- Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation
Ongoing discussion with the Department of Justice on the review of this Regulation was underway.

1.2 Progress Report on the Investigation of the Buncefield Oil Depot Fire and Explosion Incident

The feasibility of taking forward some of the recommendations of the Buncefield Major Incident Investigation Board was being studied.

1.3 “Be the Smart Regulator” Programme – Revision of Fire Service Requirements for Licensing of DG Store and DG Vehicle

The “Guide to Application for Dangerous Goods Licence” was finalized to facilitate submission of applications for DG licences.