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INTERPRETATIONS

Interpretation No 1 Clause 7.3 – Alternative Standards

Question: If an engine has been certified to the “USA Code of Federal Regulations, Part 86 – Control of air pollution from new and in-use motor vehicles and new and in-use motor vehicle engines certification and test procedures - Subpart A 40 CFR 86.004-11 Emission standards for 2004 and later model year diesel heavy-duty engines and vehicles” using the USA EPA’s “Averaging, Banking and Trading” provisions, is that engine deemed to meet the requirements of ADR 80/01

Answer: No. Only engines which meet all the technical requirements of the alternative standard are deemed to comply. Any administrative requirements or provisions employed by the host agency of that standard are specifically excluded. Clause 5.1 specifically excludes “Any provisions related to the administrative processes for obtaining an EC or US EPA approval.” The US EPA’s “Averaging, Banking and Trading” provisions are administrative provisions and not technical requirements.