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Changing the technical service within a type approval

Formulating the question or exposing the problem:

For the purpose of changing the technical service within a type approval, an information document (IST N° 10-00) defining the necessary procedures of the change was issued in the year 2000. The procedures found in the document, like for instance the addendum with a summary concluding certificate or the summary addendum with and without the concluding certificate, led to confusion among applicants and the technical services.

The present information system document serves as a replacement for the IST 10-00 and defines how the change of the technical service within a type approval should be carried out and informs about the conditions to be fulfilled.

Result:

The change of the technical service within a type approval has to be performed in the course of a classical addendum (extension) that has basically to be confirmed with a summary concluding certificate.

This addendum must not take place directly, provided that the change of the technical service is the only modification being undertaken. For other reasons, specification of the change has to take place when dealing the next time with the case. The following principles must be observed:

Conditions for the change:

In the ideal case, the previous technical service will transfer all documents and measurement results submitted at their time to the future technical service.

In the case of indirect transfer, the future technical service will not receive the documents directly from the previous technical service (e.g. through the manufacturer); the accuracy of the transmitted documents will have to be verified by the previous technical service.

The future technical service is responsible for the accuracy of the data used. After reception, the transferee technical service will have to assess whether the expert opinions referred to can still apply for the vehicle model/type of vehicle parts and whether, on the basis of these documents, they can undersign an expert opinion for an addendum (extension) with a summary concluding certificate on their own responsibility.

Exemplary concluding certificate in the event of a change of the technical service:

The information folder mentioned in point ... and the therein described type correspond to the mentioned testing specification. The worst-case scenario was determined in accordance with ...

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The expert opinion(s) of the technical service ... including all necessary documents for assessment and the measurement results was/were available. The expert opinion(s) referred to still applies/apply for the vehicle model/type of vehicle parts.

The expert opinion presented here completely treats with a summary the overall extent of the type checking including the documentation of the vehicle/vehicle part.

Please note: the cursive part of this concluding certificate is necessary only for the first addendum after the change of the technical service.

Should the technical service come to the conclusion that they cannot positively assess the addendum on the basis of the documents delivered, new tests will then have to be implemented. In this connection, a conventional concluding certificate will then be sufficient.

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