SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 6

CONFORMITY REASSESSMENT PROCEDURE

(This Schedule substantially reproduces the provisions of Part II of Annex IV to the Transportable Pressure Equipment Directive.)

1. This procedure describes the method for ensuring that transportable pressure vessels placed on the market for reassessment of conformity comply with the relevant requirements of these Regulations.

2. The owner must make available to a notified body information regarding transportable pressure vessels placed on the market which enables that body to identify the vessel's precise origin, design rules and, for acetylene cylinders, also details of the porous mass. The owner must, where appropriate, notify any prescribed restrictions on use, and forward any notes on possible damage or repairs which have been carried out.

The notified body must also check that valves and other accessories having a direct safety function ensure a level of safety in accordance with the requirements of regulation 6(3) and (4).

3. The notified body must check whether transportable pressure vessels which have been placed on the market conform to the standards referred to in regulation 6. The check must be carried out on the basis of documents produced in accordance with paragraph 2 and, where appropriate, of further inspections.

4. If the results of the above checks are satisfactory, the transportable pressure vessels must be subject to the procedures for periodic inspection provided for in Schedule 6.

5. For vessels manufactured in series, including their valves and other accessories used for transport, the relevant conformity reassessment operations relating to individual inspections of vessels, as indicated in paragraphs 3 and 4, may be carried out by an approved body provided that a notified body has previously carried out the relevant conformity reassessment operations indicated in paragraph 3.