Amendments and additions to the GCU
Proposal sheet for new Appendix 10, Annex 5

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<th>2. - Demonstrate why and where the provisions of the GCU are insufficient on this point</th>
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<td>Instructions to be complied with when recording leaks of lubricant from axle boxes.</td>
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<th>3. - Explain why this problem can only be resolved via the GCU</th>
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<td>Appendix 10 is the appropriate place to handle this issue since it deals with workshop interventions.</td>
<td>The “Maintenance” WG considers it necessary to add a new point 1.20.2 to Appendix 10, containing a reference to Annex 5, in order to illustrate the various aspects of this issue using diagrams.</td>
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1.20.2 If a loss of grease/oil is recorded when wagons are withdrawn from service due to loss of lubricant or during an axle/running gear inspection (e.g. EVIC), apply the instructions in Annex 5.

The new Annex 5 would be as follows:

See below
APPENDIX 10 - ANNEX 5
VERIFICATION AND HANDLING OF GREASE/OIL DEPOSITS ON WHEELS AND AXLE BOXES

Concerns wagons withdrawn from service due to loss of lubricant or on which a lubricant leak is recorded in the context of an axle/running gear inspection (e.g. EVIC).

General remark:
The procedure described hereafter must only be applied if no “hot box” or “temperature” notification has been issued by the hot box detection system!

Lubricant on the axle box housing – zone 1
Axles with grease or oil in “zone 1” may remain under the wagon subject to the following measures being taken in the locations concerned:

Measures to be taken:
- The wagon’s keeper must be informed. It is the keeper's job to provide instructions to apply a marking to the axle or to enter it in the axle database, and to decide whether the axle may remain under the wagon or whether it should be replaced.
- If the keeper says the axle can remain under the wagon, the excess grease/oil is to be wiped away.
Axles with grease or oil in “zone 2” may remain under the wagon subject to the following measures being taken in the locations concerned:

**Measures to be taken:**

- The wagon’s keeper must be informed. It is the keeper’s job to provide instructions to apply a marking to the axle or to enter it in the axle database, and to decide whether the axle may remain under the wagon or whether it should be replaced.
- If the keeper says the axle can remain under the wagon, the excess grease/oil is to be wiped away.
Projections of oil/grease on the axle box housing – zone 3

For axles with lubricant projections on the wheel centre in “zone 3”, **IF THESE PROJECTIONS DO NOT EMANATE FROM the hub or the axle box but begin beyond the axle box housing,**

or

if traces of lubricant, emanating radially from the axle box housing, are observed scattered irregularly across “zone 3”,

the axles may remain under the wagon subject to the following measures being taken in the locations concerned:

**Measures to be taken:**

- The wagon’s keeper must be informed. It is the keeper’s job to provide instructions to apply a marking to the axle or to enter it in the axle database, and to decide whether the axle may remain under the wagon or whether it should be replaced.

- If the keeper says the axle can remain under the wagon, the excess grease/oil is to be wiped away.

**Oil/grease leakage distributed regularly across the whole wheel centre circumference – zone 3**

If the lubricant emanates radially from the axle box housing and spreads in a uniform manner across the wheel body, wheel centre or intersection between the wheel body and tyred rim, the axle must be removed and replaced, applying Label Hr.
Oil/grease leakage on the bottom of the axle box housing – zone 4

If lubricant is observed in “zone 4”, the location from where the grease/oil is leaking is to be identified. The procedure to be applied varies depending on the origin of the problem:

a. the grease/oil emanates from zones 1 and 2, within the axle box housing, and is leaking underneath the axle box housing;
b. there are traces of grease/oil on the axle box cover, running under the axle box housing;
c. the axle box housing is cracked/broken.

**Measures to be taken if points a or b apply**

- The wagon’s keeper must be informed. It is the keeper’s job to provide instructions to apply a marking to the axle or to enter it in the axle database, and to decide whether the axle may remain under the wagon or whether it should be replaced.
- If the keeper says the axle can remain under the wagon, the excess grease/oil is to be wiped away.

**Measures to be taken if point c applies**

- Remove the axle from the wagon concerned and replace it, applying Label Hr.