

## Comment on Draft Recommendation 006REC1078

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Top Cable is a medium sized Spanish cable manufacturer. We design, manufacture and sell different products and some ranges are intended to be used in areas where safety is of utmost importance.

In the particular case of cables to be installed in long tunnels (>1 km), we consider this is one of these applications that require high security cables, facing the event of a fire accident, due to the closed environment and the eventual difficulty evacuating the persons caught in the accident.

In these cases, the use of highly classified cables (B2ca, s1a, a1) will always be safer, as will reduce to a minimum the propagation of the fire and the emission of heat and toxic fumes.

The B2ca, s1a, a1 cables are not in lack of supply. They can be found from many different European manufacturers, including ourselves.

Therefore, we understand it would be wrong to change the present proposed classification (B2ca, s1a, a1) for a much more ambiguous "*low flammability, low fire spread, low toxicity and low smoke density*", where many different cables can fit, including not high security cables.