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### NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website ([www.epingalert.org](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 24 to 30 June 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from Republic of Korea and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1153</a>	Republic of Korea	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 June 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 26 August 2023</p>	Railroad constituents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Addition of IEC 62278, 62425, 62279 Conformity Assessment for AFTC(Audio Frequency Track Circuit) and , ABS(Automatic Block System).</li> <li>- Addition of optical communication type in addition to frequency type as information communication method of ABS.</li> <li>- Deletion of the requirement to apply anti-rust paint to brake disc.</li> <li>- Reflection of the latest revisions of ISO 9001 and ISO/TS 22163, which are international quality management standards referenced in TSMA(Technical Specifications for Manufacturer Approval).</li> <li>- Reflection of the abolition/change of the clause number and title of the relevant laws or standards cited, and correction of minor typos and errors.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1154</a>	Republic of Korea	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 June 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 26 August 2023</p>	Railroad vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reflection of the latest revisions of ISO 9001 and ISO/TS 22163, which are international quality management standards referenced in TSMA(Technical Specifications for Manufacturer Approval).</li> <li>- Reflection of the abolition/change of the clause number and title of the relevant</li> </ul>

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/U SA/2013</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 June 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 26 August 2023	Hazardous materials regulations to require all railroads	PHMSA proposes amendments to its Hazardous Materials Regulations to require all railroads to generate in electronic form, maintain, and provide to first responders, emergency response officials, and law enforcement personnel, certain information regarding hazardous materials in rail transportation to enhance emergency response and investigative efforts. The proposal responds to a safety recommendation of the National Transportation Safety Board and statutory mandates in The Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, as amended, and complements existing regulatory requirements pertaining to the generation, maintenance, and provision of similar information in hard copy form, as well as other hazard communication requirements.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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