

29 August 2023

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) from 12 to 18 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/S AU/1304	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	<p>Date of Distribution: 15 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 13 October 2023</p>	Motor vehicle: technical requirements for emergency calls systems "eCall"	<p>The Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality (SASO) has prepared draft of the updated standard SASO 2944 , for "Motor vehicle - Technical Requirements for Emergency Calls "eCall" which concerned with development of technical requirements for emergency calls system in the motor vehicle, based on relevant International and National Foreign Standards and other references. This standard is concerned with the Emergency calls and Connectivity Technical Requirements for new light duty vehicle (LDVs) imported to KSA. The major changes related to this standard are :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Including the 4G requirements and references - - Exempting the vehicles produced in small series with an aggregated volume of less than 75 vehicles annually to be equipped with an eCall in- vehicle system. - Postpone the application date of the standard to be Starting from 01/01/2027. (The proposed enforcement date of the standard SASO 2944, based on calendar year)

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Membership:

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/U SA/823/Re v.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 15 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 08 September 2023	Vehicle emissions - Revision	<p>The purpose of this rule is to adopt or amend key regulations that reduce greenhouse gas and criteria pollutant emissions from passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and medium- and heavy-duty vehicles that are delivered for sale or placed in service in Rhode Island. Rhode Island has previously adopted California's emissions standards for passenger cars and trucks and, with this rulemaking, would further opt-in to California's standards by amending 250-RICR-120-05-37 to include new standards for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles.</p>
G/TBT/N/U SA/2034	United States	Date of Distribution: 17 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 18 October 2023	Low emission automobile regulation	<p>Amends rules to establish new requirements applicable to light and medium duty vehicles and clarifying changes to existing regulations. The proposed revisions will adopt California Advanced Clean Cars II standards and include new zero emission light-duty vehicle sales requirements for model years 2027-2032 and potentially beyond, and new Low Emission Vehicle emission standards for new conventionally fueled light and medium-duty vehicles for model years 2027-2032 and potentially beyond, along with clarifying changes to the existing regulation.</p>
G/TBT/N/U SA/2036	United States	Date of Distribution: 17 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 18 September 2023	Heavy-duty engine and vehicle omnibus regulation	<p>The Executive Officer (EO) of the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) is proposing to consider the adoption of amendments to the Heavy-Duty (HD) Engine and Vehicle Omnibus (Omnibus) regulation under the authority granted by the Board in Resolution 23-15, wherein the Board delegated to the EO the power to adopt, amend, and revoke emission standards, test procedures, compliance test</p>

				procedures, and compliance flexibilities for new on-road motor vehicles that the Board previously reserved to itself in Board Resolution 78-10.
G/TBT/N/US/2037	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 16 October 2023</p>	Fuel economy standards for passenger cars and light trucks for model years 2027 - 2032 and fuel efficiency standards for heavy-duty pickup trucks and van	Notice of proposed rulemaking - NHTSA, on behalf of the Department of Transportation (DOT), is proposing new fuel economy standards for passenger cars and light trucks and fuel efficiency standards for model years (MYs) 2027–31 that increase at a rate of 2 percent per year for passenger cars and 4 percent per year for light trucks, and new fuel efficiency standards for heavy-duty pickup trucks and vans (HDPUVs) for MYs 2030–2035 that increase at a rate of 10 percent per year. NHTSA is also setting forth proposed augural standards for MY 2032 passenger cars and light trucks, that would increase at 2 percent and 4 percent year over year, respectively, as compared to the prior year's standards.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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