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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 16 to 22 December 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the four (4) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CAN/688/Add.1</a>	Canada	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 December 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	New light-duty vehicles - Addendum	The proposed regulation notified in G/TBT/N/CAN/688 (dated 16 January 2023) was adopted and published in Canada Gazette, Part II on 20 December 2023. The Passenger Automobile and Light Truck Greenhouse Gas Emission Regulations have established progressively more stringent greenhouse gas emission standards for new light-duty vehicles since the 2011 model year.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1188</a>	Republic of Korea	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 December 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 20 February 2024	Motor vehicles	The existing the Rules on the Performance and Standards for Motor Vehicles and their Parts will be abolished. A. Draft Article 2 will amend the definition of buses intended to carry children. B. Draft Article 2, 6, 26, and 90 will reflect the amendment to Annex 1 of the Enforcement Rule of the Motor Vehicle Management Act, such as newly inserted ultra-compact special motor vehicle. C. Draft Article 15 and Annex 5-2 will ease the mandatory lighting deceleration range due to the operation of automatically commanded braking and the requirement for lighting stop lamps due to the operation of electric regenerative braking. D. Newly inserted draft Article 18-4 will establish mandatory installation standards for gas leak alarm in the cabin when manufacturing a camping car. E. Draft Article 43 will allow installation of secondary stop lamp in all vehicles. F. Draft Article 57 will cite fire extinguisher provision as the related standards were transferred to the Act on Installation and Management of Firefighting Systems. G. Draft Article 56-2 and Annex 5-25 will

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- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
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			<p>add the cases of collision with pedestrians to the recording conditions of Event Data Recorder (EDR) and expand the recording items by harmonizing them with international standards.</p> <p>H. Draft Article 114 will add special items exempted from application of standards, revise cited provisions, and delete special exemptions that have lost their effectiveness.</p> <p>I. Annex 5-12 will revise the display of speedometer the same as that of a motor vehicle.</p> <p>J. Annex 5-17, 5-18, 5-21, and 5-22 will ease the standards for distance between apparent surfaces of driving beam headlamps of motorcycle, ease allowable illumination standards for headlamps, stop-lamps and direction indicators, and clarify the observation luminous intensity within observation angle the same as it is specified in the Detailed Regulations of the Motor Vehicle Management Act.</p> <p>K. Draft Annex 6-2 will harmonize Automatically Commanded Steering Function (ACSF), such as remote control maneuvering and risk mitigation function, with international standards.</p> <p>L. Draft Annex 6-4 and 6-8 will require automatic turning on and off of headlamps to ensure the safety of driving at night, establish mandatory lighting standards for rear position lamps when daytime running lamps are turned on, and ease standards for lamps of mass-produced vehicles.</p> <p>M. Draft Annex 6-11 and 6-14 will amend the exception provisions for the tell-tales of front position lamps and rear position lamps according to the requirement that interlocks rear position lamps when daytime running light is lit, and ease lamp standards for massproduced motor vehicles.</p> <p>N. Draft Annex 6-21 will add light source type and power standards of light emitting device light sources which has been added to international standards.</p> <p>O. Draft Annex 5-36, 6-3, 6-5, 6-6, 6-7, 6-9, 6-10, 6-12, 6-13, 6-15, 6-16, 6-17, 6-18, 6-27, 6-28, 6-31, 6-32, 30-8, and 32-2 will ease the standards for lamps, for instance, accepting allowable deviation requirements of all lamps of mass-produced vehicles to be <math>\pm 20\%</math>.</p> <p>P. Draft Annex 7-8 will delete the restriction on the amount of deceleration</p>
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				<p>in the warning stage before the Advanced Emergency Braking System (AEBS) of bus and truck and special vehicle over 3.5 tons is activated.</p> <p>Q. Draft Article 19 and Annex 13 will delete redundant standards for rear underrun protection attached to trucks and special vehicles over 3.5 tons and toughen test load and installation strength standards.</p> <p>R. Draft Annex 16 will clarify seat belt performance standards in harmony with international standards.</p> <p>S. Draft Annex 24 will ease the electromagnetic radiation standards and electromagnetic wave resistance standards of vehicle parts in accordance with the relaxation of the international standards for electromagnetic compatibility of motor vehicles.</p> <p>T. Draft Article 65 and Annex 5 will revise the title of the control device for motorcycle and clarify vocabulary related to high voltage electric device.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/A RE/599</a>	United Arab Emirates	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 December 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 19 February 2024</p>	Electric vehicles	This GCC draft of technical regulation is concerned with all battery electric vehicles with a speed of more than 25 km / h taking into consideration the compatibility with the relevant Gulf standards and regulations. The performance of the electrical vehicle is part of this regulation.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/US/1765/A dd.2</a>	United States	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 December 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated</p>	Diesel powered truck transport refrigeration units (TRUs) to zero emission technology - Addendum	On 4 December 2023, a California trial court prohibited the California Air Resources Board (CARB) from collecting the fees included in the 2022 Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure for In-Use Diesel-Fueled Transport Refrigeration Units (TRU) and TRU Generator Sets, and Facilities Where TRUs Operate (2022 Amendments).

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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