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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 11 February 2016, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

TITLE: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT)

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: NHTSA is amending the side marker requirements contained in the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) on lamps, reflective devices and associated equipment for vehicles 80 inches or more in width and less than 30 feet long. This final rule adopts the amendments proposed in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), published on 4 December 2012. These amendments will restore the side marker photometry requirements for motor vehicles under thirty feet in length that were in place prior to the 2007 final rule that reorganized the standard. Restoration of the side marker requirements will have no negative impact on safety or function and will allow motor vehicle manufacturers to avoid unnecessary modifications to their side marker lamps with no added safety or functional benefit.

DATES: Effective Date: 8 August 2016. Compliance Date: Optional early compliance as discussed below.

Petitions for Reconsideration: Petitions for reconsideration of this final rule must be received not later than 24 March 2016.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/USA/16_0574_00_e.pdf