

National registrants must provide your full name, title, country of citizenship, date of birth, passport number, and passport expiration date when registering. Because seating space is limited, we may have to limit attendees in order of date and time of registration.

b. Please submit any initial comments in advance of the meeting through one of the mechanisms identified earlier in this notice. The initial comments should contain enough details to permit DOT officials to sufficiently prepare responses to, ask questions about, and discuss those comments.

c. The initial comments may be augmented anytime before the end of the full comment period.

d. Anyone who needs auxiliary aids and services, such as sign language interpreters, to effectively participate in the meeting should contact Ms. Baldwin as soon as possible.

#### 2. Stakeholder Meeting:

a. After receiving the initial stakeholder comments, the Department will organize those suggestions by topic for discussion during the public meeting.

b. The Department will hold the meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET on September 16, 2011 at the Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, DOT Conference Center, Oklahoma Room, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC. We will make a meeting outline and agenda available on <http://www.dot.gov/open/DTE> by September 12, 2011 in advance of the meeting.

c. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early for processing through security. All participants and attendees must enter through the New Jersey Avenue entrance (West Building—at the corner of New Jersey Avenue and M Street, SE.). Photo identification is required and Foreign National attendees must bring their passports with them. Participants or attendees who have Federal government identification will still need to register to attend. To facilitate security screening, all participants and attendees are encouraged to limit the bags and other items (laptops, cameras, etc.) they bring into the building. Anyone exiting the building for any reason will be required to re-enter through the security checkpoint at the New Jersey Avenue entrance.

d. DOT does not offer visitor parking; we suggest that attendees consider using alternative means of transportation to the building. DOT Headquarters is served by Metrorail (Navy Yard station), Metrobus, DC Circulator, and taxi service. There are a number of private parking lots near the DOT building, but

the DOT cannot guarantee the availability of parking spaces.

e. For those unable to attend the meeting in person, portions will be broadcast via Web streaming (with captioning) and over a listen-only phone line. Registrants will be given the Web URL or phone number on September 16, 2011. Because the number of people who can participate in Web streaming and by phone is limited, we will provide access in order of date and time of registration.

#### 3. Other Written Comments:

The Department will continue to accept written comments through September 23, 2011. Those who do not wish to attend the stakeholder meeting may, of course, submit comments at any time during the comment period through the other methods identified earlier in this notice.

#### 4. Follow-up Action by DOT:

We will place a transcript or summary of the stakeholder meeting on our Web site (<http://www.dot.gov/open/DTE>) as soon as possible after the end of the meeting; the record will be available in the docket on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### DOT IdeaScale Web Site

To provide the public with alternative means of providing feedback to DOT in ways that may better suit their needs, we have created a Web site using IdeaScale that will allow submissions to DOT in a less formal manner. This Web site will provide members of the public an opportunity to submit their ideas about our concept and partnership. Participants in this site may discuss one another's ideas and agree/disagree with others. This Web site may be particularly useful for individuals and small entities that prefer a less formal method of submitting ideas to DOT. It may also assist participants in refining their suggestions and gathering additional information or data to support those suggestions.

To ensure that ideas are most useful, you should include a description of any concerns regarding the concept (e.g. it is duplicative, too costly, etc.), any supporting information (e.g., actual cost or benefit data, references to duplicative slides, etc. \* \* \*), and comments on the particular issues identified in the concept overview section of this notice that would assist DOT in making a decision. Please also include in your comment whether you found this Web site useful for your purposes, so that we can best plan how to deploy DOT's scarce resources to most effectively reach the public in the future. To go directly to the IdeaScale Web site use the following link: [DTE.ideascale.com](http://DTE.ideascale.com).

#### Follow-Up Action by DOT

As soon as possible after the stakeholder meeting and the close of the comment period, taking account of the number of comments received and the complexity of issues raised, DOT will publish a report providing at least a brief response to the comments we receive, including a description of any further action we intend to take on the initiative's Web site at <http://www.dot.gov/open/DTE>.

Issue Date: August 5, 2011.

**Kristen Baldwin,**

*Director, Business Management Office, Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Transportation.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

##### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. DOT–NHTSA–2011–0113, Notice 1]

##### Notice of Receipt of Petition for Decision That Nonconforming 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Laramie Crew Cab Trucks Manufactured for the Mexican Market Are Eligible for Importation

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of petition.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Laramie Crew Cab trucks manufactured for the Mexican market (2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Mexican trucks), that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS), are eligible for importation into the United States because they are substantially similar to vehicles that were originally manufactured for sale in the United States and that were certified by their manufacturer as complying with the safety standards (the U.S.-certified version of the 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Laramie Crew Cab trucks) and they are capable of being readily altered to conform to the standards.

**DATES:** The closing date for comments on the petition is September 12, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to the docket and notice numbers above and be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the

online instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Docket Management Facility: U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- **Hand Delivery or Courier:** West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- **Fax:** 202-493-2251.

**Instructions:** Comments must be written in the English language, and be no greater than 15 pages in length, although there is no limit to the length of necessary attachments to the comments. If comments are submitted in hard copy form, please ensure that two copies are provided. If you wish to receive confirmation that your comments were received, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard with the comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

**Privacy Act:** Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

**How to read comments submitted to the docket:** You may read the comments received by Docket Management at the address and times given above. You may also view the documents from the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets. The docket ID number and title of this notice are shown at the heading of this document notice. Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the Docket as it becomes available. Further, some people may submit late comments. Accordingly, we recommend that you periodically search the Docket for new material.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-3151).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Background**

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all

applicable FMVSS shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable FMVSS.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

Wallace Environmental Testing Laboratories, Inc. of Houston, Texas (WETL) (Registered Importer 90-005) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether nonconforming 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Mexican trucks are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles which WETL believes are substantially similar are 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Laramie Crew Cab trucks that were manufactured for sale in the United States and certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable FMVSS.

The petitioner claims that it carefully compared non-U.S. certified 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Mexican trucks to their U.S.-certified counterparts, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most FMVSS.

WETL submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that non-U.S. certified 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Mexican trucks, as originally manufactured, conform to many FMVSS in the same manner as their U.S. certified counterparts, or are capable of being readily altered to conform to those standards.

Specifically, the petitioner claims that non-U.S. certified 2009 Dodge RAM 1500 Mexican trucks are identical to their U.S.-certified counterparts with respect to compliance with Standard Nos. 101 *Controls and Displays*, 102 *Transmission Shift Lever Sequence, Starter Interlock, and Transmission Braking Effect*, 103 *Windshield Defrosting and Defogging Systems*, 104 *Windshield Wiping and Washing*

*Systems*, 106 *Brake Hoses*, 111 *Rearview Mirrors*, 113 *Hood Latch System*, 114 *Theft Protection*, 116 *Motor Vehicle Brake Fluids*, 118 *Power-Operated Window, Partition, and Roof Panel Systems*, 120 *Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles Other than Passenger Cars*, 124 *Accelerator Control Systems*, 135 *Light Vehicle Brake Systems*, 138 *Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems*, 201 *Occupant Protection in Interior Impact*, 202 *Head Restraints*, 204 *Steering Control Rearward Displacement*, 205 *Glazing Materials*, 206 *Door Locks and Door Retention Components*, 207 *Seating Systems*, 208 *Occupant Crash Protection*, 209 *Seat Belt Assemblies*, 210 *Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages*, 212 *Windshield Mounting*, 214 *Side Impact Protection*, 216 *Roof Crush Resistance*, 219 *Windshield Zone Intrusion*, 225 *Child Restraint Anchorage Systems*, 301 *Fuel System Integrity*, and 302 *Flammability of Interior Materials*.

Petitioner also contends that the vehicle is capable of being readily altered to meet the following standard, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment*: inspection of all vehicles and installation of U.S.-model lamps on vehicles not already so equipped to ensure that the vehicles meet the requirements of this standard.

The petitioner additionally states that a vehicle identification plate must be affixed to the vehicles near the left windshield post to meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 565.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above addresses both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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**Claude H. Harris,**

*Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.*  
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