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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 4 September 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Hazardous Materials: Suspension of HMR Amendments Authorizing Transportation of Liquefied Natural Gas by Rail

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[X]	Notified measure published - date: 1 September 2023
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 31 October 2023
[X]	Text of final measure available from ¹ :
	88 Federal Register (FR) 60356, 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 172:
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-09-01/html/2023-18569.htm
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-09-01/pdf/2023-18569.pdf
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/USA/final measure/23 12162 00 e.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from ¹ : New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from ¹ :
[]	Other:

Description: Final rule - PHMSA, in coordination with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), is amending the Hazardous Materials Regulations to suspend authorization of liquefied natural gas (LNG) transportation in rail tank cars pursuant to a final rule published on 24 July 2020, pending the earlier of either completion of a companion rulemaking evaluating potential modifications to requirements governing rail tank car transportation of LNG, or 30 June 2025.

This final rule is effective on 31 October 2023.

 $^{^{1}}$ This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking notified as <u>G/TBT/N/USA/1801</u> are identified by Docket Number PHMSA-2021-0058. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2021-0058/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number. The text of the regulation is accessible at 49 CFR Part 172: https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/subtitle-B/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-172?toc=1.