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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

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## **NOTIFICATION**

## Addendum

The following communication, dated 19 February 2025, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

**Title:** Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; FMVSS No. 305a Electric-Powered Vehicles: Electric Powertrain Integrity Global Technical Regulation No. 20, Incorporation by Reference

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[]	Notified measure published - date:
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 20 March 2025
[X]	Text of final measure available from <sup>1</sup> :
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-12-20/html/2024-28707.htm
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-12-20/pdf/2024-28707.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:
	Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from <sup>1</sup> :
	New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from¹:
[X]	Other:
	Final rule; delay of effective date
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25 01527 00 e.pdf

**Description:** This document delays until 20 March 2025, the effective date of the 20 December 2024, final rule (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/2113/Add.1) that adopted Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 305a to replace FMVSS No. 305, "Electric-powered vehicles: Electrolyte spillage and electrical shock protection." FMVSS No. 305a applies to light and heavy vehicles and includes performance requirements for the propulsion battery. The final rule also established a part entitled, "Documentation for Electric- powered Vehicles," that requires manufacturers to compile risk mitigation documentation and submit standardized emergency response information to assist first and second responders handling electric vehicles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

The effective date of the rule published on 20 December 2024, at <u>89 FR 104318</u>, is delayed until 20 March 2025. The incorporation by reference approval of certain publications listed in the rule by the Director of the Federal Register is delayed until 20 March 2025.

90 Federal Register (FR) 9609, 18 February 2025; <u>Title 49</u> Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 561 and <u>571</u>:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-02-14/html/2025-02582.htm

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This action and the final rule notified as <u>G/TBT/N/USA/2113/Add.1</u> are identified by Docket Number NHTSA-2024-0091. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NHTSA-2024-0091/document">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NHTSA-2024-0091/document</a> and provides access to primary documents. Documents are also accessible from <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">Regulations.gov</a> by searching the Docket Number.