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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (311)
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Motor vehicle tyres and rims (HS Chapter 87)
5. Title: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for Tyre Selection and Rims; Passenger Cars and Vehicles other than Passenger Cars
6. Description of content: This notice proposes a requirement which would require that wheels intended for use on passenger cars be marked both with size information to facilitate the proper matching of a tyre to a rim and vehicle load carrying capacity information to reduce the likelihood of overloading. It would also amend the marking requirements for rims and wheels intended for use on other than passenger cars. In addition, this proposal introduces several new definitions and modifies existing definitions.
7. Objective and rationale: Safety
8. Relevant documents: 55 FR 32929, 13 August 1990; 49 CFR Part 571. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: If adopted in a final rule, these proposed requirements would become effective 1 September 1991.
10. Final date for comments: 12 October 1990
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: