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Consideration of technical regulations to be listed in the Compendium of Candidates for UN Global Technical Regulations, if any – Listing Number 2 – Tier 2 Motor Vehicle Emissions Standards and Gasoline Sulfur Control Requirements; Final Rule**Proposal for a five year extension in the Compendium of Candidates of listing No. 2^{1, 2}****Submitted by the representative of the United States of America**

The text reproduced below is submitted by the representative of the United States of America to the Executive Committee (AC.3) of the 1998 Agreement for consideration. It contains a request to maintain in the Compendium of Candidates Listing Number 2 – Tier 2 Motor Vehicle Emissions Standards and Gasoline Sulfur Control Requirements; Final Rule. This request shall be voted in accordance to Article 7 of Annex B to the 1998 Agreement.

¹ In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2012–2016 (ECE/TRANS/224, para. 94 and ECE/TRANS/2012/12, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

² This document was submitted late for document processing as clearances from relevant parties were received late.

1. The United States of America, as a Contracting Party to the 1998 Global Agreement, administered by the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), is requesting that the following technical regulation listed in the Compendium of Candidates Global Technical Regulations be extended for a period of five additional years:

Listing Number 2 – Tier 2 Motor Vehicle Emissions Standards and Gasoline Sulfur Control Requirements; Final Rule.

2. Reference is made in this respect to Article 5. paragraph 5.3.2. of the 1998 Agreement, which reads as follows:

“5.3.2. at the end of the 5-year period following the regulation’s listing under this Article, and at the end of each subsequent 5 year period, unless the Executive Committee reaffirms, by an affirmative vote in accordance with paragraph 7.1. of Article 7 of Annex B, the listing of the technical regulation in the Compendium of Candidates”

3. The voting shall follow the procedure of Article 7 of Annex B to the Agreement, which reads as follows:

“7.1. A national or regional regulation shall be listed in the Compendium of Candidates by an affirmative vote of either at least one-third of the total number of votes cast, whichever is more favourable to achieving an affirmative vote. In either case, the one-third shall include the vote of either the European Union, Japan or the United States of America, if any of them are Contracting Parties.”
