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U.S. Department of Transportation
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Subject: JATMA Comments on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Technical Corrections and Clarifications Related to Tires and Rims
[Docket No. NHTSA-2019-0074, RIN: 2127-AL87]

Dear Ms. King,

We, the Japan Automobile Tyre Manufacturers Association Inc., are representing the tire manufacturers of Japan including Bridgestone Corporation, Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd., The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., and Toyo Tire Corporation.

We are pleased to be given this opportunity to comment on the “Notice of proposed rulemaking of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Technical Corrections and Clarifications Related to Tires and Rims”. Hereinafter referred to as NPRM.

JATMA supports the proposals from NHTSA mentioned in the NPRM dated August 21, 2019. We are grateful for taking the tire industry’s petition into consideration. We would like to request for your continuous considerations to the tire industry as we are committed to work cooperatively with the agency.

In addition, we would like to take this opportunity to ask you to amend clause 5.5.1 of FMVSS 139 to reflect new Tire Identification Number stipulated in 49CFR Part574.5. We would appreciate if you could amend this clause at your earliest convenience.



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Your kind consideration would be highly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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