

May 24, 2024

Sophie Shulman  
Acting Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Fuel System Integrity of Hydrogen Vehicles: Compressed Hydrogen Storage System Integrity, Docket No. NHTSA-2024-0006 RIN 2127-AM40

Dear Ms. Shulman,

By way of introduction, FORVIA is one of the top ten automotive suppliers in the world with six different business groups, including market ready solutions for hydrogen storage. This correspondence shall serve as FORVIA's formal request for a thirty (30) day extension of the comment period for the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Fuel System Integrity of Hydrogen Vehicles: Compressed Hydrogen Storage System Integrity, Docket No. NHTSA-2024-0006 RIN 2127-AM40. This extension is necessary for FORVIA to have sufficient time to extensively analyze the proposals and draft comprehensive comments.

FORVIA is one of the industry pioneers for hydrogen storage solutions for mobility, distribution, transport, and stationary applications. We develop next-generation hydrogen tanks that allow automotive manufacturers to offer hydrogen powered vehicles with great autonomy. We currently have industrial footprint for this technology in Europe and Asia, and we are in the process of launching our first plant to serve the North America market.

We look forward to submitting comments that represent our technical expertise on the subject. The requested extension of the comment period would allow FORVIA to conduct a detailed review of the proposed standards and develop comments. As you know, this will be one of three global standards applicable to this technology. FORVIA wants to make sure we provide a relevant and comprehensive review of the current landscape of requirements and how they compare to GTR 13 and R134.

We thank you for your consideration of this 30-day extension of the comment period. If you have any questions or need additional information, you can contact me at 248-8912-193 or tarek.abdel-baset@forvia.com.

Sincerely,

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