

place on January 30, 2009, between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*Comment Date:* Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by January 22, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Marriott Crystal City at Reagan National Airport, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202. Persons wishing to make an oral presentation or who are unable to attend or speak at the meeting may submit written comments. Written comments and requests to make oral presentations at the meeting should reach Drew Dawson at the address listed below and must be received by January 22, 2009. All submissions received must include the docket number, NHTSA–2009–0001, and may be submitted by any one of the following methods: You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at <http://www.regulations.gov/> under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice. The DMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and retrieval help guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the docket as it becomes available.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Drew Dawson, Director, Office of Emergency Medical Services, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., NTI–140, Washington, DC 20590, Telephone number (202) 366–9966; E-mail [Drew.Dawson@dot.gov](mailto:Drew.Dawson@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.*) The NEMSAC will be holding its third meeting on Thursday and Friday, January 29 and 30, 2009, at the Marriott Crystal City at Reagan National Airport, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

**Agenda of Council Meeting, January 29–30, 2009**

*The tentative agenda includes the following:*

Thursday, January 29, 2009

(1) Opening Remarks;

(2) Introduction of Members and all in attendance;

(3) Review and Approval of Minutes of last Meeting;

(4) Presentation by National EMS Management Association representative regarding the *Emergency Medical Services Management and Leadership Development in America: An Agenda for the Future*;

(5) *EMS Workforce Agenda for the Future* Presentation;

(6) Committee Reports and Discussion.

Friday, January 30, 2009

(1) Welcome and Introductions;

(2) Unfinished Business from January 29;

(3) Public Comment Period;

(4) Next Steps and Future Meetings.

A public comment period will take place on January 30, 2009, between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*Public Attendance:* The meeting is open to the public. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should advise Drew Dawson of their anticipated special needs as early as possible. Members of the public who wish to make comments on Friday, January 30 between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. are requested to register in advance. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 3 minutes. For those wishing to submit written comments, please follow the procedure noted above.

This meeting will be open to the public. Individuals wishing to register must provide their name, affiliation, phone number, and e-mail address to Drew Dawson by e-mail at [drew.dawson@dot.gov](mailto:drew.dawson@dot.gov) or by telephone at (202) 366–9966 no later than January 22, 2009. There will be limited seating, so please register early. Pre-registration is necessary to enable proper arrangements.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through the DOT Document Management System (DMS) at: <http://www.regulations.gov> under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice.

Issued on: January 6, 2009.

**Jeffrey P. Michael,**

*Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

[Docket No. NHTSA–2008–0212]

**Notice of Receipt of Petition for Decision That Nonconforming 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer Multipurpose Passenger Vehicles Manufactured Prior to September 1, 2007 for Sale in the Kuwaiti Market Are Eligible for Importation**

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of petition for decision that nonconforming 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer multipurpose passenger vehicles manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 for sale in the Kuwaiti market are eligible for importation.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer multipurpose passenger vehicles (MPVs) manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 for sale in the Kuwaiti market that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS) are eligible for importation into the United States because: (1) They are substantially similar to vehicles that were originally manufactured for sale in the United States and that were certified by their manufacturer as complying with the safety standards (the U.S.-certified 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPV manufactured prior to September 1, 2007), and (2) they are capable of being readily altered to conform to the standards.

**DATE:** The closing date for comments on the petition is February 11, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to the docket and notice numbers above and be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail: Docket Management Facility:* U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Fax:* 202–493–2251.

**Instructions:** Comments must be written in the English language, and be no greater than 15 pages in length, although there is no limit to the length of necessary attachments to the comments. If comments are submitted in hard copy form, please ensure that two copies are provided. If you wish to receive confirmation that your comments were received, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard with the comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

**Privacy Act:** Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

**How to Read Comments submitted to the Docket:** You may read the comments received by Docket Management at the address and times given above. You may also view the documents from the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets. The docket ID number and title of this notice are shown at the heading of this document notice. Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the Docket as it becomes available. Further, some people may submit late comments. Accordingly, we recommend that you periodically search the Docket for new material.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-3151).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable FMVSS shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable FMVSS.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or

importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR Part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

Wallace Environmental Testing Laboratories, Inc. of Houston, Texas (WETL) (Registered Importer 90-005) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether nonconforming 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPVs manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 for sale in the Kuwaiti market are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles which WETL believes are substantially similar are 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPVs manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 that were manufactured for sale in the United States and certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable FMVSS.

The petitioner claims that it carefully compared non-U.S. certified 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPVs manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 for sale in the Kuwaiti market, to their U.S.-certified counterparts, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most FMVSS.

WETL submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that non-U.S. certified 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPVs manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 and for sale in the Kuwaiti market, as originally manufactured, conform to many FMVSS in the same manner as their U.S. certified counterparts, or are capable of being readily altered to conform to those standards.

Specifically, the petitioner claims that non-U.S. certified 2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer MPVs manufactured prior to September 1, 2007 and for sale in the Kuwaiti market, are identical to their U.S.-certified counterparts with respect to compliance with Standard Nos. 102 *Transmission Shift Lever Sequence, Starter Interlock, and Transmission Braking Effect*, 103 *Windshield Defrosting and Defogging Systems*, 104 *Windshield Wiping and Washing Systems*, 106 *Brake Hoses*, 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment*, 111 *Rearview Mirrors*, 113 *Hood Latch System*, 114 *Theft Protection*, 116 *Motor Vehicle Brake Fluids*, 118 *Power-Operated Window,*

*Partition, and Roof Panel Systems*, 120 *Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles Other than Passenger Cars*, 124 *Accelerator Control Systems*, 135 *Light Vehicle Brake Systems*, 201 *Occupant Protection in Interior Impact*, 202 *Head Restraints*, 204 *Steering Control Rearward Displacement*, 205 *Glazing Materials*, 206 *Door Locks and Door Retention Components*, 207 *Seating Systems*, 208 *Occupant Crash Protection*, 209 *Seat Belt Assemblies*, 210 *Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages*, 212 *Windshield Mounting*, 214 *Side Impact Protection*, 216 *Roof Crush Resistance*, 219 *Windshield Zone Intrusion*, 225 *Child Restraint Anchorage Systems*, 301 *Fuel System Integrity*, and 302 *Flammability of Interior Materials*.

Petitioner also contends that the vehicle is capable of being readily altered to meet the following standards, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 101 *Controls and Displays:* inscription of the word "brake" on the instrument cluster in place of the international ECE warning symbol.

The petitioner additionally states that a vehicle identification plate must be affixed to the vehicles near the left windshield post to meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 565.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above addresses both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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**Claude H. Harris,**

*Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**National Research Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the National Research Advisory Council will hold a meeting on Monday, February 9, 2009, in room GL-20 at the Greenhoot Cohen Building, 1722 Eye