

intended for retreading. The concern for service personnel related to steel carcass construction is not relevant for this tire line.

### 2. Corrective Measures

a. Upon identification of the mismarking, MNA instituted a block on the affected sku. A total of 782 tires were captured and retained in MNA inventory. These tires will be repaired to display the correct single ply marking, or they will be scrapped.

b. The tire specification drawing has been corrected and the mold plate has been updated to show the correct single ply marking. All tires currently being produced have the correct marking.

### 3. Prior NHTSA Decisions

MNA states that NHTSA has concluded in other petitions related to the number of plies marking that this type of noncompliance is inconsequential to safety. Examples of prior decisions include:

- Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd., 83 FR 13002 (March 26, 2018)
- Continental Tire the Americas, LLC, 83 FR 36668 (July 30, 2018)
- Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, 82 FR 17075 (April 7, 2017)
- Hankook Tire America Corp., 79 FR 30688 (May 28, 2014)
- Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC, 78 FR 47049 (August 2, 2013).

MNA concludes by again contending that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety, and that its petition to be exempted from providing notification of the noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118, and a remedy for the

noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120, be granted.

NHTSA notes that the statutory provisions (49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h)) that permit manufacturers to file petitions for a determination of inconsequentiality allow NHTSA to exempt manufacturers only from the duties found in sections 30118 and 30120, respectively, to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, any decision on this petition only applies to the subject tires that MNA no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliance existed. However, any decision on this petition does not relieve equipment distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant tires under their control after MNA notified them that the subject noncompliance existed.

(Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8)

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Foreign Assets Control

### Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

**DATES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for effective date(s).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Electronic Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website ([www.treasury.gov/ofac](http://www.treasury.gov/ofac)).

#### Notice of OFAC Actions

On September 3, 2021, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authorities listed below.

**Individuals:**

1. FARAHANI, Alireza Shahvaroghi (a.k.a. "ALI, Haj"; a.k.a. "SALIMI, Vezerat"; a.k.a. "SALIMI, Vezerat"), Iran; DOB 06 Dec 1970; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of Executive Order 13553 of September 28, 2010, "Blocking Property of Certain Persons With Respect to Serious Human Rights Abuses by the Government of Iran and Taking Certain Other Actions" (E.O. 13553), 3 CFR, 2011 Comp., p. 253, for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY.

2. KHAZEIN, Mahmoud (Arabic: محمود خاضعين), Iran; DOB 21 Nov 1978; POB Tehran, Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male; National ID No. 0067024564 (Iran) (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY.

3. NOORI, Omid (a.k.a. NOURI, Omid), Iran; DOB 12 Mar 1976; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY.

4. SADEGHI, Kiya (a.k.a. SADEGHI, Kia), Iran; DOB 21 Mar 1986; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the IRANIAN MINISTRY OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY.

Dated: September 3, 2021.

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