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USTR may determine that information or advice contained in a comment, other than BCI, is confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155(g)(2)). If a submitter believes that information or advice is confidential, they must clearly designate the information or advice as confidential and mark it as 'SUBMITTED IN CONFIDENCE' at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page, and provide a non-confidential summary of the information or advice.

V. Public Viewing of Comments

Pursuant to section 127(e) of the URAA (19 U.S.C. 3537(e)), USTR will maintain a docket on this dispute settlement proceeding. USTR will post written submissions in the docket for public inspection, except properly designated BCI and other confidential information. You can view submissions at *Regulations.gov* by entering Docket Number USTR-2023-0012 in the search field on the home page.

If a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the event of an appeal from a panel, USTR will make the following documents publicly available at *www.ustr.gov*: the U.S. submissions and any non-confidential summaries of submissions received from other participants in the dispute. If a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the event of an appeal from a panel, the report of the panel, and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body, will also be available on the website of the World Trade Organization, at *www.wto.org*.

Juan Millan,

Deputy General Counsel for Monitoring and Enforcement, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2023-0013]

Request for Comments and Notice of Public Hearing Concerning the Operation of the United States-Mexico- Canada Agreement With Respect To Trade in Automotive Goods

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

ACTION: Request for comments and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Trade Representative must conduct a review of trade in automotive goods under the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) and submit a report to the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives no later than July 1, 2024. USTR invites comments concerning the operation of the USMCA with respect to automotive goods, including the implementation and enforcement of the USMCA rules of origin for automotive goods, as well as whether the automotive provisions of the USMCA are effective in light of technological and production advances.

DATES: January 17, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. EST: Deadline for submission of written comments, request to testify, and written testimony.

February 7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. EST: USTR and the Interagency Committee on Trade in Automotive Goods will convene a public hearing to receive oral testimony.

ADDRESSES: USTR strongly prefers electronic submissions made through the Federal rulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov/> (*Regulations.gov*). Follow the instructions for submitting written comments, testimony, and requests to testify in sections III through V below, using docket number USTR-2023-0013. For alternatives to on-line submissions, please contact Justin Hoffmann, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Market Access and Industrial Competitiveness, in advance of the deadline at (202) 395-2990 or Justin.D.Hoffmann@ustr.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Justin Hoffmann, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Market Access and Industrial Competitiveness at (202) 395-2990 or Justin.D.Hoffmann@ustr.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. USMCA Background

On January 29, 2020, the President signed into law the USMCA

Implementation Act (Pub. L. 116-113), which implements the USMCA between the United States, the United Mexican States, and Canada attached as an Annex to the Protocol Replacing the North American Free Trade Agreement. The USMCA entered into force on July 1, 2020.

The USMCA includes new rules of origin to claim preferential treatment for automotive goods, including higher Regional Value Content (RVC) thresholds, mandatory requirements to produce core parts in the region, mandatory steel and aluminum purchasing requirements, and a Labor Value Content (LVC) requirement. The USMCA allows vehicle producers to request an alternative staging regime for these requirements that would permit a longer period of transition to help ensure that future production is able to meet the new rules. The standard staging regime is specified under the Automotive Appendix to Chapter 4 of the USMCA, with the exception of Article 8, which specifies provisions relating to the alternative staging regime.

The USMCA Implementation Act and Executive Order 13908 established the Interagency Committee on Trade in Automotive Goods (Committee) to advise the President and the U.S. Trade Representative on the implementation, enforcement and modification of the USMCA provisions related to automotive goods. In addition, the Committee reviews the operation of the USMCA with respect to trade in automotive goods, including the economic effects of the USMCA automotive rules of origin on the U.S. economy, workers and consumers, and the impact of new technology on such rules.

II. Report to Congress

Section 202A(g) of the USMCA Implementation Act requires the U.S. Trade Representative, in consultation with the Committee, to conduct a biennial review of the operation of the USMCA with respect to trade in automotive goods, including:

(a) To the extent practicable, a summary of actions taken by producers to demonstrate compliance with the automotive rules of origin, use of the alternative staging regime, enforcement of such rules of origin, and other relevant matters.

(b) Whether the automotive rules of origin are effective and relevant in light of new technology and changes in content, production processes and character of automotive goods.

USTR submitted its first report to Congress on June 30, 2022. No later than

July 1, 2024, USTR will submit the results of the second biennial review to the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives and post a public version of the report to its website at <https://www.ustr.gov>. The 2022 report is available on USTR's website at <https://ustr.gov/sites/default/files/2022%20USMCA%20Autos%20Report%20to%20Congress.pdf>.

III. Request for Public Input

In accordance with the USMCA Implementation Act, USTR and the Committee seek views from producers of automotive goods, labor organizations and other interested parties regarding:

1. The overall operation of the USMCA with respect to automotive goods.
2. Actions taken by automotive and parts producers to demonstrate compliance with the USMCA automotive rules of origin, including:
 - a. The applicable RVC requirements for passenger vehicles, light trucks, heavy trucks, other vehicles and parts thereof.
 - b. The North American steel and aluminum purchase requirements.
 - c. The LVC requirements.
3. The use of alternative staging regimes by vehicle producers to meet the USMCA automotive rules of origin.
4. Enforcement of the USMCA automotive rules of origin, including the alternative staging regimes and the automotive certification process for steel and aluminum content, LVC and RVC.
5. Whether the current USMCA automotive rules of origin are effective in light of new technology and changes in the content, production processes and character of automotive goods. In particular, whether the rules of origin remain effective for:
 - a. The large-scale transition towards electric and other clean-energy vehicles;
 - b. The transition away from internal combustion and diesel vehicles;
 - c. The automotive parts applicable to electric and clean-energy vehicles and internal combustion or diesel vehicles; or
 - d. Any other vehicle and part subject to the USMCA automotive rules of origin.
6. Whether the USMCA rules of origin are effective in supporting the competitiveness of the North American automotive industry in light of global challenges, such as excess capacity of electric vehicles.

7. An update on the supply chain challenges identified in the 2022 report (e.g., semiconductor shortage, war in Ukraine) and the impact the USMCA had on overcoming those supply chain challenges.

8. The impact of the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act and similar legislation, e.g., the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022, and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, on the overall trade in automotive goods under the USMCA and those goods' ability to meet the USMCA rules of origin.

9. Specific issues faced by producers of heavy-duty trucks and other automotive goods not specifically addressed above.

10. Any other topics relevant to the trade in automotive goods under the USMCA.

IV. Hearing Participation

USTR will convene a public hearing on February 7, 2024 related to the operation of the USMCA with respect to autos. Persons wishing to observe the public hearing will find a link on USTR's web page for the USMCA on the day of the hearing at <https://ustr.gov/trade-agreements/free-trade-agreements/united-states-mexico-canada-agreement>. To ensure participation, you must submit requests to present oral testimony at the hearing and written testimony by 11:59 p.m. EST on January 17, 2024, via [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations), using Docket Number USTR-2023-0013. Instructions for submission are in section V below. Remarks at the hearing will be limited to no more than five minutes to allow for possible questions from the Committee. Because it is a public hearing, testimony should not include any business confidential information (BCI).

V. Procedures for Written Submissions

To be assured of consideration, submit your written comments, requests to testify, and written testimony by the January 17, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST deadline. All submissions must be in English. USTR strongly encourages submissions via [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations), using Docket Number USTR-2023-0013.

To make a submission via [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations), enter Docket Number USTR-2023-0013 in the 'search for' field on the home page and click 'search.' The site will provide a search results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting 'notice' under 'document type' in the 'refine documents results' section on the left side of the screen and click on the link entitled 'comment.' [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations) allows users to make submissions by filling in a 'type comment' field, or by attaching a document using the 'upload file' field. USTR prefers that you provide submissions in an attached document and, in such cases, that you

write 'see attached' in the 'type comment' field. USTR prefers submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf). If you use an application other than those two, please indicate the name of the application in the 'type comment' field.

At the beginning of your submission or on the first page (if an attachment), include the following text: (1) 2024 USMCA Autos Report; (2) your organization's name; and (3) whether the submission is a comment, request to testify, or written testimony. Please do not attach separate cover letters, exhibits, annexes, or other attachments to electronic submissions; rather, include any in the same file as the submission itself, not as separate files. You will receive a tracking number upon completion of the submission procedure at [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations). The tracking number is confirmation that [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations) received your submission. Keep the confirmation for your records. USTR is not able to provide technical assistance for [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations).

For further information on using [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations), please consult the resources provided on the website by clicking on 'How to Use [Regulations.gov](https://ustr.gov/regulations)' on the bottom of the home page. USTR may not consider submissions that you do not make in accordance with these instructions.

If you are unable to provide submissions as requested, please contact Justin Hoffmann, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Market Access and Industrial Competitiveness, in advance of the deadline at Justin.D.Hoffmann@ustr.eop.gov or (202) 395-2990, to arrange for an alternative method of transmission. USTR will not accept hand-delivered submissions. General information concerning USTR is available at [www.ustr.gov](https://ustr.gov).

If you ask USTR to treat information you submit as BCI, you must certify that the information is business confidential and you would not customarily release it to the public. For any comments submitted electronically containing BCI, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters 'BCI.' You must clearly mark any page containing BCI with 'BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL' at the top of that page. Filers of submissions containing BCI also must submit a public version of their submission that will be placed in the docket for public inspection. The file name of the public version should begin with the character 'P.'

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except properly designated BCI. You can view submissions at [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) by entering Docket Number USTR–2023–0013 in the search field on the home page.

Greta Peisch,

General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2023–2226]

Notice of Intent To Designate as Abandoned Supplemental Type Certificate No. SA3–483

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to Designate Supplemental Type Certificate as abandoned; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces the FAA’s intent to designate Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) No. SA3–483 as abandoned and make the related engineering data available upon request. The FAA has received a request to provide engineering data concerning this STC. The FAA has been unsuccessful in contacting the STC holder concerning the STC. This action is intended to enhance aviation safety.

DATES: We must receive all comments by May 20, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments on this notice by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* JoWanna Jenkins, Program Management Specialist, Central Certification Branch (Chicago), 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 107, Des Plaines, IL 60018.
- *Email:* jowanna.jenkins@faa.gov. Include “Docket No. FAA–2023–2226” in the subject line of the message.
- *Hand Delivery:* Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: JoWanna Jenkins, Program Management Specialist, Central Certification Branch (Chicago), 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 107, Des Plaines, IL 60018; telephone 847–294–7145; email jowanna.jenkins@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites interested parties to provide comments, written data, views, or arguments relating to this notice. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include “Docket No. FAA–2023–2226” at the beginning of your comments. The FAA will consider all comments received on or before the closing date. All comments received will be available in the docket for examination by interested persons.

Background

The FAA is posting this notice to inform the public of the intent to designate as abandoned STC No. SA3–483, which installs a Continental Model C85–12 engine on a Mooney Model M–18C 55 airplane, and subsequently release the related engineering data.

The FAA has received a third-party request for the release of the aforementioned engineering data under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. The FAA cannot release commercial or financial information under FOIA without the permission of the data owner. However, in accordance with title 49 of the United States Code section 44704(a)(5), the FAA can provide STC “engineering data” it possesses for STC maintenance or improvement, upon request, if the following conditions are met:

1. The FAA determines the STC has been inactive for three years or more;
2. Using due diligence, the FAA is unable to locate the owner of record or the owner of record’s heir; and
3. The availability of such data will enhance aviation safety.

There has been no activity with this STC holder for more than three years.

On August 24, 2023, the FAA sent a registered letter to the STC holder, Donna R. Sparks, at her last known address, 6414 East 86th Street, Kansas City, MO 64138. The letter informed Ms. Sparks that the FAA had received a request for engineering data related to STC No. SA3–483 and was conducting a due diligence search to determine whether the STC was inactive and may be considered abandoned. The letter further requested Ms. Sparks to respond in writing within 60 days and state whether she is the holder of the STC. The FAA also attempted to contact Ms. Sparks by other means, including telephone communication, email, and certified mail, without success.

Information Requested

If you are the owner or heir or a transferee of STC No. SA3–483 or have

any knowledge regarding who may now hold STC No. SA3–483, please contact JoWanna Jenkins using a method described in this notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. If you are the heir of the owner, or the owner by transfer, of STC No. SA3–483, you must provide a notarized copy of your government-issued identification with a letter and background establishing your ownership of the STC and, if applicable, your relationship as the heir to the deceased holder of the STC.

Conclusion

If the FAA does not receive any response by May 20, 2024, the FAA will consider STC No. SA3–483 abandoned, and the FAA will proceed with the release of the requested data. This action is for the purpose of maintaining the airworthiness of an aircraft and enhancing aviation safety.

Issued on November 16, 2023.

Ross Landes,

Deputy Director for Regulatory Operations, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2023–2183; Summary Notice No. 2023–46]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Gulfstream

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, the FAA’s exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before December 12, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA–2023–2183 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.