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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.Notifying Member: VIET NAMIf applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Ministry of Transport 80 Tran Hung Dao Hoan Kiem Ha Noi

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

Notification Authority & Enquiry Point of the Ministry of Transport Viet Nam Register 18 Pham Hung, My Dinh 2, Nam Tu Liem, Ha Noi, Viet Nam Tel.: 024.3768 4838 Fax: 024.3768 4840 E-mail: <u>tbtgtvt@vr.org.vn</u> Website: <u>http://www.tbt-bgtvt.vn/</u>

3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:

- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Rail locomotives (excl. those powered from an external source of electricity or by accumulators); locomotive tenders (HS code(s): 8602)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Circular stipulating the inspection of quality, technical safety and environmental protection of railway vehicles; (36 page(s), in Vietnamese)
- 6. Description of content: This draft Circular provides for the inspection and certification of quality, technical safety and environmental protection for equipment of railway vehicles in imported inspection and railway vehicles in manufactured, assembled, imported, converted, periodical inspection, in order to operate on national railways, urban railways, special-use railways with rails connected to national railways and special-use railways without rails with railways that passes through a residential area, intersects with a road.

This draft Circular does not apply to equipment installed on railway vehicles imported in complete units.

This draft Circular applies to organizations and individuals involved in the importation of railway vehicles equipment; the importation, manufacture, assembling, converting, repairing and exploiting railway vehicles operating on railway systems and organizations related to management, inspection and issuance of quality, technical safety and

environmental protection certificates for equipment of railway vehicles and railway vehicles specified in Article 1 of this Circular.

This draft Circular shall replace the Circular No. 29/2018/TT-BGTVT dated May 14, 2018 of the Minister of Transport on the inspection of quality, technical safety and environmental protection of railway vehicles.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements

8. Relevant documents:

1. Law on Railways dated June 16, 2017;

2. Law on Product and Goods Quality dated November 21, 2007;

3. Decree No. 132/2008/ND-CP dated December 31, 2008 of the Government detailing the implementation of a number of articles of the Law on Product and Goods Quality;

4. Decree No. 65/2018/ND-CP dated May 12, 2018 of the Government detailing a number of articles of the Law on Railways;

5. Decree No. 56/2022/ND-CP dated August 24, 2022 of the Government defining the functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Ministry of Transport;

6. Circular 29/2018/TT-BGTVT dated May 14, 2018 of the Minister of Transport providing for the inspection of quality, technical safety and environmental protection of railway vehicles.

7. G/TBT/N/VNM/119

9. Proposed date of adoption: 30 October 2023

Proposed date of entry into force: 30 December 2023

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/VNM/23_11597_00_x.pdf