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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 NAM If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Vietnam Register 18 Pham Hung Street, Tu Liem Ward, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel.: 024.3768 4838 Fax: 024.3768 4840 Email: tbtgtvt@vr.org.vn Website: http://www.tbt-bgtvt.vn/
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [X], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Couplers for rolling stocks
5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Draft National Technical Regulation on couplers for rolling stocks; (34 page(s), in Vietnamese) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/VNM/25_06307_00_x.pdf Vietnam Register 18 Pham Hung Street, Tu Liem Ward, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel.: 024.3768 4838 Fax: 024.3768 4840 Email: tbtgtvt@vr.org.vn Website: http://www.tbt-bgtvt.vn/
6. Description of content: inspection of technical safety quality and environmental protection for newly manufactured, assembled, and imported couplers and buffers for locomotives and rolling stock. This draft NTR applies to couplers and buffers of locomotives and rolling stock with HS code 86.07.30.00 as stipulated in Circular No. 31/2022/TT-BTC dated June 08, 2022 of the Minister of Finance on promulgation of the Vietnamese import, export nomenclature. This draft NTR does not apply to couplers and buffers of locomotives and rolling stock used on urban railways; locomotives and rolling stock with designed speed greater than 120 km/h; and locomotives and rolling stock belonging to the military or public security (police) used for national defense and security purposes. This draft NTR applies to organizations and individuals involved in the management, production, assembly, import, inspection, certification of quality, technical safety and

environmental protection of couplers and buffers of locomotives and carriages within the scope of regulation in point 1.1.	
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements
8.	Relevant documents: 1. Railway Law 2025. 2. Decree No. 65/2018/ND-CP dated May 12, 2018 of the Government on detailing a number of articles of the Railway Law. 3. Circular No. 01/2024/TT-BGTVT dated June 21, 2024 of Minister of Ministry of Transport stipulating inspection of technical safety quality and environment protection of railway vehicle. 4. Circular No. 12/2022/TT-BGTVT dated June 30, 2022 regulating the List of potentially unsafe products and goods under the state management responsibility of the Ministry of Transport.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 15 November 2025 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2026
10.	Provision of comments Final date for comments: 7 November 2025 [] 60 days from notification 45 days from notification Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification: