

received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

Skytop Rover Co. (Skytop), of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Registered Importer R-06-343) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether nonconforming 2011 Ducati Multistrada MCs are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles which Skytop believes are substantially similar are MY 2011 Ducati Multistrada MCs sold in the United States and certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable FMVSS.

The petitioner claims that it compared non-U.S. certified MY 2011 Ducati Multistrada MCs to their U.S.-certified counterparts, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most FMVSS.

Skytop submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that non-U.S. certified MY 2011 Ducati Multistrada MCs, as originally manufactured, conform to many applicable 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 the non U.S.-certified MY 2011 Ducati Multistrada MCs, as originally manufactured, conform to: Standard Nos. 106 *Brake Hoses*, 111 *Rear Visibility*, 116 *Motor Vehicle Brake Fluids*, and 122 *Motorcycle Brake Systems*.

The petitioner also contends that the subject non-U.S. certified vehicles are capable of being readily altered to meet the following standards, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 108 Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment: Inspection of each vehicle and replacement of non-conforming components with U.S.-model components on any vehicle not already so equipped.

Standard No. 120 Tire Selection And Rims And Motor Home/Recreation Vehicle Trailer Load Carrying Capacity Information for Motor Vehicles With a GVWR of More Than 4,536 Kilograms (10,000 Pounds): Installation of the required tire information placard.

Standard No. 123 Motorcycle Controls and Displays: Inspection of each vehicle and replacement of non-conforming speedometers with U.S.-model components on vehicles not already so equipped.

Standard No. 205 Glazing Materials: Inspection of each vehicle and removal of noncompliant glazing or replacement with U.S. certified glazing.

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), (a)(1)(B), and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.7; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2015-0119]

Public Meeting Concerning Test Device for Human Occupant Restraint (THOR)

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Announcement of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NHTSA is announcing a public meeting to present the qualification and seating procedures for the Test Device for Human Occupant Restraint (THOR) 50th percentile male anthropomorphic test device (ATD). The meeting will include NHTSA presentations outlining the qualification and seating procedures the agency has been using and will provide opportunities for the attendees to ask questions on the technical aspects of the procedures.

DATES: NHTSA will hold the public meeting over two days. The first day will focus on seating procedures, and will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31, 2016. The second day will focus on qualification procedures, and will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2016. Each day will include two sessions: First, a technical information session that will occur in a conference room; second, a practical session which will take place in a lab environment. The public technical meeting will be held at the location indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section below. Registration will be closed once the maximum capacity of

60 attendees is reached, or 5 business days before the meeting, whichever comes first. Please submit all written comments no later than October 1, 2016.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Research and Test Center, 10820 State Route 347—Bldg. 60, East Liberty, Ohio 43319.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you would like to attend the public meeting, please contact Dr. Kevin Moorhouse by the date specified under **DATES**, at: Office of Vehicle Safety Research, Applied Biomechanics Division, Vehicle Research and Test Center, 10820 State Route 347, East Liberty, OH 43319; telephone number: (937) 666-3283; email address: kevin.moorhouse@dot.gov (preferred method of registration). Please send your name, affiliation, phone number, email address, and any accommodations you may need, such as a sign language interpreter or translator.

Written comments. You may submit comments to the docket number NHTSA-2015-0119 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:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number. 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 discussion below.

Docket: For access to the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Telephone: (202) 366-9826.

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, (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78) or you may visit <http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html>.

Confidential Business Information: If you wish to submit information under a claim of confidentiality, you should submit two copies of your complete submission and one copy of the submission containing only the portions for which no claim of confidential treatment is made and from which those portions for which confidential treatment is claimed have been redacted, to the Office of Chief Counsel (NCC–100), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room W41–227, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. You should include a cover letter setting forth the information specified in our confidential business information regulation (49 CFR part 512). In addition, you should submit two copies from which you have redacted the claimed confidential business information to Docket Management at the address given above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Test Device for Human Occupant Restraint 50th percentile male (THOR–50M) is an advanced anthropomorphic test device (ATD, or test dummy). It is designed to

better represent the interaction of automotive occupants with modern and sophisticated restraint systems, such as force-limited three-point belts and air bags, which have become standard equipment. The purpose of this public meeting is to provide a demonstration of the qualification procedures and seating procedures for the THOR–50M ATD and answer questions that the public may have regarding the implementation of these procedures. Topics for discussion at the public meeting are limited to qualification procedures and seating procedures.

Registration is required for all attendees. Please see registration instructions under **DATES** and **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Should it be necessary to cancel the public meeting due to inclement weather or any other emergencies, a decision to cancel will be made as soon as possible and emailed to the registered attendees. If you do not have access to email, you may call the contacts listed in this announcement and leave your telephone number and/or email address. You will be contacted only if the public meeting is postponed or canceled.

Written comments can be submitted to the docket. See information under **DATES** and **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. The final agenda, as well as

material presented at the public meeting, will be posted to the NHTSA Web site at <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Research/Biomechanics+&+Trauma/THOR+50th+Male+ATD>. The agenda will be posted one week prior to the public meeting. The public meeting will include NHTSA and NHTSA contractor presentations outlining the content and basis of the procedures, followed by a practical demonstration in a lab environment.

Public Meeting Procedures: Because the meeting will be located in a lab environment, NHTSA requests that the number of those attending from each affiliation be limited to two (2). Once the maximum capacity of 60 attendees is reached, registration will be closed. For security purposes, photo identification is required to enter NHTSA's Vehicle Research and Test Center.

There will be an opportunity for attendees to ask NHTSA questions related to the technical aspects of the qualification and seating procedures.

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