NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 10 November 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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**Title:** Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Rear Impact Guards and Rear Impact Protection

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**Description:** TITLE: Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Rear Impact Guards and Rear Impact Protection

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT)

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: FMCSA amends the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to include rear impact guards on the list of items that must be examined as part of the required annual inspection for each commercial motor vehicle (CMV). In addition, FMCSA amends the labeling requirements for rear impact guards, and excludes road construction controlled (RCC) horizontal discharge trailers from the rear impact guard requirements, consistent with changes made by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to the corresponding Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS). This final rule responds to rulemaking petitions, as well as a recommendation from the Government Accountability Office (GAO).

DATES: This final rule is effective 9 December 2021.

This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/1684](http://tbtims.wto.org/en/Notifications/Search?ProductsCoveredHSCodes=&ProductsCoveredICSCodes=&DoSearch=True&ExpandSearchMoreFields=False&NotifyingMember=&DocumentSymbol=usa%2F1684&DistributionDateFrom=&DistributionDateTo=&SearchTerm=&ProductsCovered=&DescriptionOfContent=&CommentPeriod=&FinalDateForCommentsFrom=&FinalDateForCommentsTo=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionFrom=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionTo=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceFrom=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceTo=&ReasonForAddendum=) are identified by Docket Number FMCSA-2019-0211. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2019-0211/document> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)