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AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHING OF GLOBAL TECHNICAL REGULATIONS FOR WHEELED VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT AND PARTS WHICH CAN BE FITTED AND/OR BE USED ON WHEELED VEHICLES DONE AT GENEVA ON 25 JUNE 1998

Sub : Status report with respect to Global Technical Regulation No.4 (GTR No.4) on WHDC.

Dear Sir,

India is considering acceptance of this GTR No.4 on Test procedure for Compression Ignition (C.I) Engines and Positive-Ignition (P.I.) Engines Fuelled with Natural Gas (NG) or Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) with regard to the Emission of Pollutants.

Presently in India, Bharat Stage-III (BS-III) emission norms are applicable for heavy duty vehicles which are equivalent to EURO-III norms and the engines are subjected to emission test on steady state cycle. The next stage of emission norms, i.e., Bharat Stage-IV (BS-IV) equivalent to EURO-IV, will be applicable from 2010 and the engines will be subjected to emission test on transient cycle in addition to steady state cycle.

The necessary correlation exercise between ESC BS-IV (equivalent to EURO-IV) and WHSC and as well as ETC BS-IV (equivalent to EURO-IV) and WHTC, will start once the BS-IV norms are implemented. Also the required infrastructure needed for type approval of engines for compliance to this GTR will be available in the country by the year 2010.

India will be reviewing the above plan periodically and would communicate to the Secretary General at appropriate time regarding the status of implementation of GTR..

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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