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PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLEMENT 16 TO REGULATION No. 54

(Pneumatic tyres for commercial vehicles)

Transmitted by the Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF)

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The list of contents, the annexes, add a new annex 9 to read:

"Annex 9 - COMMUNICATION, Upgrade of Service Description for the purposes of retreading in accordance with Regulation No. 109"

The text of the Regulation,

Insert a new paragraph 5.7., to read:

"5.7. Subsequent retreading in accordance with Regulation No. 109.

In the case where, during the course of production of a particular tyre type, the manufacturer has obtained a new approval for that same tyre type to be marked with a service description indicating a higher load index or different speed symbol than the earlier marking and where the tyre manufacturer authorizes the earlier tyre type to be retreaded and marked with the later service description, the tyre manufacturer shall complete the Communication document given in annex 9 to this Regulation and shall submit this to the type approval authority that has granted the new approval. If the authorization for upgrading only applies to tyres from a particular manufacturing plant, or produced during particular production periods, the information necessary to identify the tyres shall be stated on the Communication document.

The type approval authority shall communicate this information to other Parties to the Agreement which apply this Regulation and tyre manufacturers or type approval authorities shall release this information on the request of any retreading production unit that is approved in accordance with Regulation No. 109."

Insert a new Annex 9, to read:

"Annex 9

COMMUNICATION

Upgrade of Service Description for the purposes of retreading
in accordance with Regulation No. 109

(Maximum format: A4 [210 x 297mm])

Issued by (Name and Address of Tyre Manufacturer):
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Declaration:

The tyre corresponding to the following details has been approved to operate at a higher service description than that of the tyre originally approved. It is therefore permitted, subject to any limitations given in paragraph 4.1.1. below, for a tyre bearing the original service description and approval number, to be retreaded to the upgraded service description.

It is also agreed that this information may be released by an approval authority to any retreading production unit that is approved in accordance with Regulation No. 109.

1. Manufacturer's name or trade mark on the tyre:
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2. Manufacturer's tyre type, model or design designation:
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3. Tyre Size designation:
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3.1. Category of Use (Normal, Snow or Special):
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4. Service Description

4.1. Original tyre:

Approval No. Pursuant to Regulation No. 54.
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Granted by:
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4.1.1. Where applicable, the production plant in which tyres suitable for upgrading were produced, the production periods concerned, and the means of identifying either or both of these issues:

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4.2. Upgraded tyre:

Approval No. pursuant to Regulation No. 54.
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Granted by:
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5. Authorized by (tyre manufacturer's representative):

5.1. Name (Block capitals):
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5.2. Department:
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5.3. Signature:
....."
