PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENT TO ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRRF/2007/28

A. PROPOSAL

Para.5.2.25., amend to read:

"5.2.25. Subject to the requirement of paragraphs 12.2. to 12.5., any vehicle stability system fitted to a vehicle I/ with a braking system approved under this Regulation shall meet the equipment, performance and test requirements contained in Annex 9 to this Regulation.

I/ The installation of this system may be mandated on the basis of national regulation."

Paragraphs 12.2. to 12.4., amend to read:

"12.2. As from the official date of entry into force of Supplement 6 to this Regulation, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant approvals under this Regulation, as amended by Supplement 6 to this Regulation.

12.3. As from [24] months from the entry into force of Supplement 6 to this Regulation, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant approvals only if the vehicle type to be approved meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 6 to this Regulation.

12.4. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approval to the unamended Regulation."

Insert new paragraph 12.5., to read:

"12.5. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant approvals to those types of vehicles which comply with the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the preceding supplement of amendments during the [24] months' period which follows the date of entry into force of Supplement 6 to this Regulation."

B. JUSTIFICATION

For paragraph 5.2.25., the installation of vehicle stability system should be optional in UNECE Regulation No. 13-H. This policy was agreed at the previous GRRF informal group. The purpose of this amendment is just for clarification.
As for paragraph 12.2., this paragraph is editorial correction align with the General guidelines for UNECE regulatory procedures and transitional provisions in UNECE Regulations, TRANS/WP.29/1044 which was approved at WP.29 at its one-hundred-and-thirty-sixth session.

For original paragraphs 12.3. and 4., these provisions indicate the Contracting Parties applying this regulation to obligate the installation of ESC. As mentioned above, since the installation of vehicle stability system should be optional in UNECE Regulation No. 13-H, this amendment is preferable to amend as "supplement".

According to the document TRANS/WP.29/1044, supplements normally become applicable for all approval procedures started after the date of entry into force. However, in this case, since time is needed to prepare for the new test facility of vehicle stability system, and to re-design the current vehicle stability system to meet with this amendment, the philosophy of "special cases for supplements" in paragraph 2.2. of TRANS/WP29/1044 should be considered.