A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 3.2.5.2.2., amend to read:

"3.2.5.2.2. Test procedure
The engine speed shall be gradually increased from idle to the target engine speed, not exceeding a tolerance of +/- 3 per cent of the target engine speed, and held constant. Then the throttle control shall be rapidly released and the engine speed shall return to idle. The noise level shall be measured during a period of operation consisting of the entire acceleration period throughout a maintenance period of constant engine speed of 1 second and throughout the engine deceleration period. The maximum sound level meter reading, mathematically rounded to the first decimal place, is taken as the test value."

B. JUSTIFICATION

The text in bold and or in double strikethrough amends the test procedure in Regulation No. 51. It aims providing the reference values to achieve a revised test procedure according to Regulation No. 59. The proposal reverses the procedure currently described in Regulation N° 51.