Proposal for amendment to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/93 (01 series of amendments to the draft Regulation on AEBS)

This document proposes draft transitional provisions for the 01 series of amendments to the draft Regulation on AEBS (document TRANS/WP29/2011/93).

I. Proposal

12.1. As from the official date of entry into force of the 01 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant approval under this Regulation as amended by the 01 series of amendments to this Regulation.

12.2. As from 1 November 2016, 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 the 01 series of amendments.

12.3. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be prohibited from granting extensions of approvals to the 00 series of amendments to this Regulation.

12.4. Until 1 November 2016, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse national or regional type approval of a vehicle type approved to the 00 series of amendments to this Regulation.

II. Justification

GRRF at its 70th session agreed to go along with the approach in one UNECE regulation for the provisions for AEBS. Therefore the regulatory texts will be composed of an original text and a subsequent series of amendments, called the 01 Series of amendments. It was also well understood at this 70th session that both texts would be simultaneously enforced.

OICA supports the principle of aligning the transitional provisions of the 01 Series of amendments with the guidelines WP.29/1044 paragraphs V2 and V3. The date (b) in figure 1 as from which the vehicle, in all Countries applying the 01 series, must comply with the requirements of the 01 series to obtain UNECE type approval could be the same date as in current paragraph 12.5 of GRRF-70-06: 01 November 2016. In addition, the formulation of paragraph V3 was amended according to the wording proposed by the Chair of the AEBS/LDWS informal group as “Contracting Parties shall not be prohibited from granting …”.

It makes no sense in the transitional provisions of the 01 series of amendments to define requirements for Contracting Parties that do only apply the 00 series (original text). In the text addressing the 00 series of amendments to the AEBS regulation, there will be obviously no transitional provisions and those Contracting Parties that do only apply the 00 series can apply the regulation without referring to the text of the 01 Series of amendments. There will be no relevant time limit for these Contracting Parties and therefore there is no need for the paragraph 12.2. currently proposed in the document TRANS/WP29/2011/93.

However, if there were no transitional provisions for granting new ECE type approvals according to the 01 series, the 01 series would apply for new ECE type approvals on a mandatory basis already from the date of its entry into force i.e. the dates (a) and (b) in figure 1 of document WP.29/1044 would be identical. In consequence, if the 00 and 01 series enter into force on the same date, at no time it will be possible to get type approvals according to the 00 series of amendments.