manufactured before September 1, 2007 are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles which WETL believes are substantially similar are MY 2007 Jeep Wrangler MPV manufactured before September 1, 2007, sold in the United States, and certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable FMVSS.

The petitioner claims that it compared non-U.S. certified MY 2007 Jeep Wrangler MPV manufactured before September 1, 2007 to their U.S.-certified counterparts, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most FMVSS. WETL submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that non-U.S.-certified MY 2007 Jeep Wrangler MPV manufactured before September 1, 2007, as originally manufactured, conforms to many applicable FMVSS in the same manner as their U.S.-certified counterparts, or are capable of being readily altered to conform to those standards.


The petitioner also contends that the subject non-U.S.-certified vehicles are capable of being readily altered to meet the following standard, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 101 Controls and Displays: Installation of the U.S. version of the instrument cluster, or changing the faceplate to include the word “brake” on the brake system malfunction telltale.

Standard No. 110 Tire Selection and Rims: Installation of the required tire information placard.

The petitioner additionally states that a vehicle identification plate must be affixed to the vehicle near the left windshield pillar to meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 565, and that a Registered Importer Certification Label must be affixed to the vehicle in the driver’s side door jamb to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR part 567.

III. Comments: All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above addresses both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the Federal Register pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), (a)(1)(B), and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.7; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

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