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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) [2283]
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other [X]: No draft regulatory text is proposed at this stage; notification submitted to enhance transparency regarding planned regulatory work.
4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Hazardous materials, transport; Transport (ICS code(s): 03.220); Protection against dangerous goods (ICS code(s): 13.300)
5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Hazardous Materials: Modernizing Regulations To Facilitate Transportation of Hazardous Materials Using Highly Automated Transportation Systems; (9 page(s), in English) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_08715_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking - The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) is publishing this advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to obtain stakeholder input on potential revisions to the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) to facilitate the safe transportation of hazardous materials using highly automated transportation systems.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Cost saving and productivity enhancement
8. Relevant documents: 90 Federal Register (FR) 55836, 4 December 2025; Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 171 , 172 , 173 , 174 , 175 , 176 , 177 , and 178 : https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-12-04/html/2025-21970.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-12-04/pdf/2025-21970.pdf This advance notice of proposed rulemaking is identified by Docket Number PHMSA-2024-0064. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2024-0064/document and provides access to

primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.	
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
10.	Provision of comments Final date for comments: 4 March 2026 [] 60 days from notification WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before 4pm Eastern Time on 4 March 2026. Comments received from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with PHMSA and will also be submitted to the Docket on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period. Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification: Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov