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MECA Welcomes the US EPA NPRM for Tighter Light-Duty Vehicle Standards for Model Years 2023 to 2026 and Beyond

Washington, D.C. – On August 5, 2021, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) released Notices of Proposed Rulemakings (NPRM) which will tighten light duty vehicle GHG emissions and fuel economy standards for model years 2023 through 2026.

“MECA and its member companies look forward to working with the agencies to finalize these rules that will drive further penetration of a diverse portfolio of technology solutions, including electrified and electric powertrains to cost-effectively address climate change”, said Rasto Brezny, MECA Executive Director. “It’s vital that future light-duty and heavy-duty regulations provide longer term regulatory certainty to support our members’ investments and maintain North American leadership in clean mobility technology”.

MECA members are leaders in the advancement of technologies that serve to protect the environment and human health by supporting a full range of clean, efficient vehicles that will meet the diverse needs of consumers today, tomorrow and in the decades to come. These clean mobility technologies include advanced materials, powertrain components, electronic controls, battery packs, fuel cell stacks, motors and transmissions that will make up the future vehicle fleet. MECA members are also committed to the continual advancement of combustion engine powertrains through hybridization combined with new developments in engine technologies such as high-pressure fuel injection, turbochargers and cylinder deactivation. These will be coupled with simultaneous improvements in exhaust and evaporative emission controls and sensors to ensure the cleanest vehicles driving on our roads. Electrified powertrains can be combined with low carbon and renewable fuels to deliver significant reductions to the environmental footprint of all vehicles.

MECA member companies have played an important role in the emissions success story associated with light-duty vehicles in North America. Over the past 50 years, mobile source emission reduction policies have not only delivered important health and climate benefits but

have also created a supplier industry that brings thousands of well paying, highly skilled jobs to the U.S. MECA member companies represent over 70,000 of the nearly 300,000 North American jobs building the technologies that improve the fuel economy and reduce emissions of today's vehicles. MECA members are delivering the components that make up the electric vehicles that will be part of the global fleet of cars and trucks in the future.

MECA supports the Administration's commitment to finalize the light-duty and heavy-duty rules by the end of 2021 and 2022 respectively. Our industry will do our part to deliver cost-effective and durable advanced technologies to meet U.S. GHG and pollution reduction goals.

Founded in 1976, MECA is a national association of companies that manufacture a variety of emission reducing and electric powertrain and control technologies for cars, trucks, buses, and off-road vehicles and equipment. For more information on clean mobility technologies, please visit MECA's website at: www.meca.org.

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