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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW FROM CONSIDERATION Terms of Reference to establish a GRSG Informal working group on Natural Gas Vehicles (NGV) – Amendments to UN Regulation No. 110 GRSG-108-02

NGV Global respectfully requests to withdraw from consideration at this time GRSG-108-02, Terms of reference to establish a GRSG Informal Working Group on Natural Gas Vehicles – Amendment to UN Regulation No.110

This is being done in light of the concerns expressed by a number of component manufacturers acting in the European market who have remaining questions about the impact that numerous changes in R.110 might have on the existing and future certification procedures for NGV components and equipment.

NGV Global also recognizes the measure of support provided by GRSG Chairman Antonio Erario to act as 'ad interim' Chairman of this group in light of the inability to recruit a permanent Chairman from a Contracting Party to take leadership and responsibility for tackling the challenging task of reviewing and revising, where appropriate, Regulation 110. NGV Global thanks Mr. Erario for his dedication and energy in supporting the NGV industry's efforts to foster a firm regulatory environment that provides the framework for safe and reliable NGV equipment worldwide.

NGV Global, with due respect to GRSG, would like to reserve the right in future to re-submit the request to establish an Informal Working Group subject to further input from the wider group of NGV stakeholders. NGV stakeholders, at this time, will be working together to determine the preferred strategy to improve and streamline the key regulations related to NGV equipment, components and the certification requirements that best promote safety of NGV systems and the operators of these vehicles.