

(i.e., not breaking the plane of the rails) of the occupied track. NS seeks to extend its relief to allow up to 4 on-ground employees (when working with one adjacent controlled track) and up to 8 on-ground employees (when working with two adjacent controlled tracks) of the R-3 Gang to break the plane of the outside rail to perform minor work.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Communications received by April 28, 2023 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2008-0029]

Petition for Extension of Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by letter dated February 3, 2023,¹ Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for an extension of a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 231 (Railroad Safety Appliance Standards). The relevant FRA Docket Number is FRA-2008-0029.

Specifically, NS requests to extend its relief from § 231.1(k), *Uncoupling levers*, for its Rail Train service, which is non-revenue service operated by NS to deliver sections of continuously welded rail to rail gangs replacing rail throughout the NS system. NS seeks continued approval to operate all Rail Trains with uncoupling levers removed from both ends of the rail cars that are coupled to one another in this train service. These trains operate only on NS property in maintenance-of-way service. NS states that its process of uncoupling cars allows for safe uncoupling through utilization of NS Mechanical Department personnel under blue flag protection. Additionally, NS states that the relief will continue to help prevent unintentional train uncoupling during these operations and the resulting potential employee injuries and damage to rail structure and roadbed.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

¹The existing relief in this docket expired on February 8, 2023. On February 8, 2023, FRA granted a conditional, 180-day extension of the relief, while FRA considers NS's February 3, 2023, extension request for permanent relief. See <https://www.regulations.gov/document/FRA-2008-0029-0016>.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

U.S. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces a public meeting of the U.S. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee (MTSNAC) to discuss advice and recommendations for the U.S. Department of Transportation on issues related to the marine transportation system.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 23, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET.

Requests to attend the meeting virtually must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on the prior week Monday, March 13, 2023, in order to facilitate

entry. Requests for accommodations due to a disability must be received by the day prior to the meeting Monday, March 21, 2023. The written copy of the remarks must be provided to DOT no later than by the prior week Monday, March 13, 2023. Requests to submit written materials to be reviewed during the meeting must also be received by the prior week Monday, March 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually. Any committee related request should be sent to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chad Dorsey, Designated Federal Officer, at MTSNAC@dot.gov or at (202) 997-6205. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W21-307, Washington, DC 20590. Please visit the MTSNAC website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/maritime-transportation-system-mts/maritime-transportation-system-national-advisory-0>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The MTSNAC is a Federal advisory committee that advises the U.S. Secretary of Transportation through the Maritime Administrator on issues related to the marine transportation system. The MTSNAC was originally established in 1999 and mandated in 2007 by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-140). The MTSNAC is codified at 46 U.S.C. 50402 and operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

II. Agenda

The agenda will include: (1) welcome, opening remarks, and introductions; (2) administrative items; (3) subcommittee break-out sessions; (4) updates to the Committee on the subcommittee work; (5) public comments; and (6) discussions relevant to formulate recommendations for improving the maritime transportation strategy. A final agenda will be posted on the MTSNAC internet website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/maritime-transportation-system-mts/maritime-transportation-system-national-advisory-0> at least one week in advance of the meeting.

III. Public Participation

The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public who wish to attend virtually must RSVP to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER**

INFORMATION CONTACT section with your name and affiliation.

Services for individuals with disabilities. The public meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Public comments. A public comment period will commence at approximately 12 p.m. ET on March 22, 2023, and again on March 23, 2023, at the same time. To provide time for as many people to speak as possible, speaking time for each individual will be limited to three minutes. Requests to speak during the public comment period of the meeting must be submitted in writing. Members of the public who would like to speak are asked to contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Commenters will be placed on the agenda in the order in which notifications are received. If time allows, additional comments will be permitted. Copies of oral comments must be submitted in writing at the meeting or preferably emailed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Additional written comments are welcome and must be filed as indicated below.

Written comments. Persons who wish to submit written comments for consideration by the Committee must send them to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

(Authority: 49 CFR part 1.93(a); 5 U.S.C. 552b; 41 CFR parts 102-3; 5 U.S.C. app. Sections 1-16)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2022-0074; Notice 2]

Baby Trend, Inc., Denial of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).
ACTION: Denial of petition.

SUMMARY: Baby Trend, Inc., (BT), has determined that certain BT Hybrid 3-in-1 Combination Booster Seat child restraint systems (CRSs) do not fully comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 213, *Child Restraint Systems*. BT filed an original noncompliance report dated July 6, 2022. BT subsequently petitioned NHTSA on August 1, 2022, for a decision that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety. This document announces the denial of BT's petition.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelley Adams-Campos, Safety Compliance Engineer, NHTSA, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, kelley.adams campos@dot.gov, (202) 366-7479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Overview

BT determined that certain BT Hybrid 3-in-1 Combination Booster Seat CRSs do not fully comply with paragraph S5.4.1.2(a) of FMVSS No. 213, *Child Restraint Systems* (49 CFR 571.213).

BT filed an original noncompliance report dated July 6, 2022, pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, *Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports*. BT petitioned NHTSA on August 1, 2022, for an exemption from the notification and remedy requirements of 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301 on the basis that this noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h) and 49 CFR part 556, *Exemption for Inconsequential Defect or Noncompliance*.

Notice of receipt of BT's petition was published with a 30-day public comment period, on September 9, 2022, in the **Federal Register** (87 FR 55465). No comments were received. To view the petition and all supporting documents log onto the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) website at <https://www.regulations.gov/>. Then follow the online search instructions to locate docket number "NHTSA-2022-0074."