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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 of public meeting.

**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 webinar-based (online) public meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020, from 1 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). Requests to speak during the public comment period of the meeting must submit a written copy of their remarks to DOT no later than by Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Requests to submit written materials to be reviewed during the meeting must be received by Wednesday, July 8, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar, accessible via most internet browsers. The website link to join the meeting will be posted on the MTSNAC website by Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Please visit the MTSNAC website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/maritime-transportation-system-mts/maritimetransportation-system-national-advisory-o>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Amanda Rutherford, Designated Federal Officer, at [MTSNAC@dot.gov](mailto:MTSNAC@dot.gov) or at (202) 366–1332. Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE W21–307, Washington, DC 20590. Any committee related request should be sent to the person listed in this section.

**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. 55603 and operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

**II. Agenda**

The agenda will include: (1) Welcome, opening remarks, and introductions; (2) administrative items; (3) subcommittee break-out sessions; (4) refining recommendations for the maritime transportation system for the full MTSNAC committee to vote and adopt during the September 28–29, 2020 meeting. The agenda will include updates to the Committee on the subcommittee research, processes for developing their recommendations, and a second look at the subcommittee's draft implementation strategies to help achieve the recommendations; and (5) public comments. A detailed agenda will be posted on the MTSNAC internet website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/maritime-transportation-system-mts/maritimetransportation-system-national-advisory-o> at least one week in advance of the meeting.

**III. Public Participation**

The meeting will be open to the public.

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 3 p.m. EST on July 15, 2020. To provide time for as many people to speak as possible, speaking time for each individual will be limited to three minutes. 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.

**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 1.93(a); 5 U.S.C. 552b; 41 CFR part 102–3; 5 U.S.C. app. Sections 1–16)

Dated: June 26, 2020.

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–2020–0027]

**Denial of Motor Vehicle Defect Petition, DP19–003**

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Denial of a petition for a defect investigation.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the reasons for the denial of a petition, DP19–003, submitted by Mr. Kevin O'Brien to the Administrator of NHTSA (the "Agency") by a letter dated August 12, 2019. The petition requests that the agency initiate a safety defect investigation into an alleged "excessive stalling problem" experienced by operators of 2019 Model Year (MY) Volkswagen GTI, Jetta GLI, and Golf GTI manual transmission vehicles (the "subject vehicles") "as the vehicles slow to a stop or prepare to make a turn across traffic with the clutch pressed in and the car in neutral." After conducting a technical review of: (1) Consumer complaints submitted by the petitioner; (2) consumer complaint information in NHTSA's databases; and (3) information provided by Volkswagen in response to our information requests regarding vehicle stalling and complaints received by Volkswagen, NHTSA's Office of Defect Investigations (ODI) has concluded that it is unlikely that additional investigation would result in a finding that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists. As a result, no further investigation of the issue raised by the petition is warranted and the agency, accordingly, has denied the petition.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Sharon Yukevich, Vehicle Defect Division A, Office of Defects Investigation, NHTSA, 1200 New Jersey