MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
AUTO STANDARDIZATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE, CHINA AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH CENTER CO., LTD (ASRI, CATARC)
AND
THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE

The Auto Standardization Research Institute, China Automotive Technology and Research Center Co., Ltd (ASRI, CATARC) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI):

Recognizing the desirability of the global use of international standards;

Committed to ensuring that their national standards and their application facilitate international trade, address the protection of environment, health, and safety, and support consumer confidence;

Pledging to facilitate cooperation between ASRI and ANSI to that end;

Hereby endorse the following articles of this MOU concerning matters covering standardization and the mutual exchange of information and publications between the respective organizations.

Article 1

ASRI and ANSI agree to:

(1) Exchange views on the activity, operations and program of work of various international and regional standardization organizations, including but not limited to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the Pan American Standards Congress (COPANT) and Pacific Area Standards Congress (PASC);

(2) Share each other's views and, where feasible, work to develop mutually supportive positions relating to those organizations.

Article 2

ASRI and ANSI agree to:

(1) Facilitate dialogue among China and US experts in various areas of standardization as determined by special arrangements between the parties;

(2) Encourage standards organizations in their countries to identify their counterpart groups for the purpose of establishing bilateral relationships, including mutual exchange of information and materials, trade shows/exhibits, and possible joint business ventures, to stimulate industry to industry cooperation as a building block to international standardization and free trade;

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(3) Arrange exchange of visits of the senior management of ASRI and ANSI; and

(4) Explore organizing and sponsoring conferences, workshops, technical symposia on standardization subjects of mutual interest.

Article 3

ASRI and ANSI agree to:

(1) Facilitate dialogue and cooperation among China and US experts in the automotive sector, on standardization issues; and

(2) Explore organizing and sponsoring conferences, workshops, technical symposia on automotive standardization subjects of mutual interest. The specific format of cooperation and funding terms will be decided separately by the parties.

Article 4

ASRI and ANSI agree to exchange, using all appropriate media:

(1) Current catalogues of their national standards and procedures published by the respective organizations;

(2) General materials for training courses on standardization developed and published by the respective organizations; and

(3) Periodical publications and other relevant information published by the respective organizations. Further to this item, ASRI is given ANSI's permission to translate and reprint free of charge any articles published in ANSI online news at www.anzi.org/news.

Article 5

Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MOU will be settled through consultations between ASRI and ANSI or such other means as they may mutually decide.

Article 6

(1) This MOU can be amended by the written agreement of both parties.

(2) This MOU is valid until terminated. Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing the other party with a written notice at least six months in advance.

(3) Notice to terminate or amend the MOU shall not retroactively change the terms of any existing project or program being undertaken by the parties for the specific term of the project or program without consent of both parties.
This MOU was written in Chinese and English, signed in Tianjin, China on 18th Dec, 2019, in duplicate in the English language. All texts are equally authentic.

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