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EU-China relations

CLEPA call for further simplification of Chinese Type Approval / Homologation requirements. The Chinese Compulsory Certification (CCC) procedure puts obstacles in the way of import and export trade.

In accordance with the WG Technical Regulations recommendations, the CCC system should be streamlined for both Chinese and non-Chinese manufacturers, whilst maintaining the quality of granted approvals.

These recommendations call for the possibility of non-Chinese certification bodies to be able to conduct initial audits for CCC and for more non-Chinese bodies to conduct follow-up audits. To abolish duplicate testing. To conduct CCC certification testing at the premises of the CCC applicant, thereby allowing “witness testing”. To review the validity period of 5 years for the CCC certificate, especially for large production volumes and old model spare parts. To decrease the frequency of follow-up audits from the current every 6 months to every 3-5 years. To allow a multitude of factories to be mentioned on only one CCC certificate.

CLEPA is in favour of China becoming a Contracting Party to the UNECE 1958 Agreement and to sign as many of the Annexed Regulations which the EU has signed.

Furthermore, CLEPA calls for the removal of the limitation to foreign investment, 50% limit on foreign capital in key components of new energy vehicles, thus allowing foreign companies to establish majority-owned JVs and WOFEs. Eliminate the 2+2 regulation for VMs.

To push for the removal of the 50% ownership cap on the production of batteries, electric air conditioning, electric braking, power steering, stop-start system, wheel motor system, hydrogen storage systems, car chargers etc, which fall under the “limited” section of the Chinese Foreign Investment Catalogue, approved 2011 version.

Call for electric machinery and equipment to be removed from the “prohibited” section of the Catalogue into the “encouraged” section.

CLEPA to lobby through close engagement with DGENTR, in their EU-China regulatory dialogues, conformity assessment group meetings with MIIT and AQSIQ.
