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## NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization - Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 31 December 2022 to 06 January 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the two (2) notified draft technical regulations from Panama and Thailand:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/PAN /123/Add.1	Panama	Date of Distribution: 05 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: 05 March 2023	Asphalt cements - Addendum	The Republic of Panama informs that in relation to the Procedure of the Conformity Assessment for the Import, Production and Marketing of Cement Asfálticos, notified on October 27, 2022, under the symbol (G/TBT/N/PAN/123), extends the deadline for submitting comments is January 23, 2023. The document authorized for the presentation of observations is available at the following link: https://mici.gob.pa/dgnti- consulta-publica/
<u>G/TBT/N/THA</u> / <u>693</u>	Thailand	Date of Distribution: 06 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: 06 March 2023	Electrolytic zinc-coated flat steel	The draft ministerial regulation mandates electrolytic zinccoated flat steel to conform with the standard for Electrolytic zinc- coated flat steel (TIS 2223-25xx (20xx)). This standard specifies technical specifications, characteristics, marking and labelling, sampling, and testing requirements for Electrolytic single-sided or two- sided zinc-coated hot-rolled and cold-rolled flat steel, generally used for electrical appliances, automotive parts etc., and coated by substances mainly

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	composed of zinc to improve rust protection properties. This standard does not cover electrolytic zinc-ferrous alloy layer-coated or electroplated flat steel.
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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