

20 January 2023

### 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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 31 December 2022 to 06 January 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the ten (10) notified draft technical regulations from five (5) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/617</a>	Chile	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 05 March 2023</p>	Domestic refrigeration appliances	The technical specifications for the design of energy efficiency labels for domestic refrigerating appliances are an update of the currently valid labels and aim to provide consumers with information when selecting this type of product, taking account of technological advances in development. With regard to the development of the proposal, account has been taken of international experience, currently valid energy efficiency labels, and protocols in force in Chile.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/618</a>	Chile	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 05 March 2023</p>	Domestic clothes washers	The technical specifications for the design of energy efficiency labels for washing machines for household use are an update of the currently valid labels and aim to provide consumers with information when selecting this type of product, taking account of technological advances in development. With regard to the development of the proposal, account has been taken of international experience, currently valid energy efficiency labels, and protocols in force in Chile.

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- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IDN/152</a>	Indonesia	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 05 March 2023</p>	Industrial products and / or services	Regulation of Minister of Industry Number 45 Year 2022 stipulates provision of Industrial Standardization which are carried out in the form Indonesian National Standard (SNI), Technical Specification (ST) and/or Guideline (PTC). The formulation of SNI will be based on the provisions of the legislation. In this regulation, the mandatory enforcement of SNI, ST, and/or PTC is stipulated by the Minister and the voluntary implementation of SNI is carried out by Industrial Company for goods and/or services.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/1256/Add.1</a>	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable</p>	Electrical dishwashers - Addendum	The water consumption has been modified and we consider the capacity in the calculation of the index by adopting ISO's formula (ISO 31600:2022) ; clause 5.2 "modified" A.3 Calculation of the Water Consumption Index (WCI) "new clause"
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/1276</a>	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 05 March 2023</p>	Standby, off mode electric power consumption of electrical and electronic equipment	This regulation specifies the following: Terms and Definitions, Scope, Objectives, Supplier Obligations, Labelling, Conformity Assessment Procedures, Responsibilities of Regulatory Authorities, Responsibilities of Market Surveillance Authorities, Violations and Penalties, General Provisions, Transitional Provisions, Appendix (lists of Products Category and Implementation, List of excluded products, Technical requirements, list of Standards, Verification Tolerance, Supplier Declaration of Conformity, Internal production control and Technical information).
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/476/Add.1</a>	Tanzania	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023</p>	Wrought aluminium and aluminium alloys	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Tanzania Standard; MEDC 02 (353) CD1 Wrought aluminium and aluminium alloys

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	sheets, strips and plates for the manufacture of cooking utensils used for catering and domestic purposes - Addendum	for manufacture of cookware – Sheets, strips and plates – Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/476 entered into force on 01 April 2022 as Tanzania Standard, TZS 684:2021 Wrought aluminum and aluminum alloys for manufacture of cookware – Sheets, strips and plates – Specification. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/477/Add.1</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 05 January 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Stainless steel cookware - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Tanzania Standard; MEDC 02 (359) CD1 Stainless Steel Cookware — Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/477 entered into force on 01 April 2022 as Tanzania Standard, TZS 2891:2021 Stainless Steel Cookware — Specification. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/595/Rev.1</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 04 January 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 21 February 2023	Guides, consumer products - Revision	Regulatory review; request for public comment - Pursuant to its decennial regulatory review schedule, the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") requests public comment on its Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims ("Green Guides" or "Guides"). The Commission is soliciting comments about the efficiency, costs, benefits, and regulatory impact of the Guides to determine whether to retain, modify, or rescind them. All interested persons are hereby given notice of the opportunity to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the Guides.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/903/Rev.1/Add.2/Corr.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 04 January 2023	Residential and commercial clothes	On 1 June 2022, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department") published a final rule amending DOE's

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 06 March 2023	washers - Corrigendum	clothes washer test procedures. This document corrects formatting and typographical errors and omissions in the regulatory text of that final rule. Neither the errors and omissions nor the corrections in this document affect the substance of the rulemaking or any conclusions reached in support of the final rule.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1131/Rev.1</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 06 January 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 06 March 2023	Uninterruptible power supplies - Revision	Notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) and announcement of public meeting via webinar on Thursday, 2 February 2023 - The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend its test procedure for uninterruptible power supplies ("UPSs") to consider the latest revision of the industry standard that is incorporated by reference and to provide an optional test method for measuring power consumption of a UPS at no-load conditions. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on the proposal. For further details about the revision to the industry standard, refer to section "C. Updates to Industry Standards" in the NOPR. Section "H. Test Procedure Costs and Harmonization" provides information regarding the optional test method

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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