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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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 01 to 07 April 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on four (4) the notified draft technical regulations from United Kingdom, Ghana, and India:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/G/BR/59</a>	United Kingdom	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 03 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 01 June 2023	Lighting products : ecodesign	The UK Government proposes to update the existing ecodesign regulations for lighting products placed on the GB market (The Ecodesign for Energy Related Products and Energy Information (Lighting Products) Regulations 2021, from here on referred to as "the 2021 Regulations). The proposal is to set a new Minimum Energy Performance Standard (MEPS) of 120 lumen per watt (lm/W) for light sources and luminaires placed on the GB market from late 2023; this MEPS would increase to 140 lm/W from 1 September 2027, in each case subject to certain allowances and exemptions. The proposal sets out a range of allowances whereby certain light sources will benefit from a reduction in the required MEPS if they have certain characteristics (e.g. a colour rendering index of 93 or greater) which are known to cause a loss in efficacy.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/G/HA/38</a>	Ghana	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 06 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable	Renewable energy batteries	The purpose of these Regulations is to promote the efficient use of renewable energy batteries in the country and mitigate related climate change by: a) providing for i) the enforcement of standards set out in the First Schedule and

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				<p>the minimum efficiency standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule;</p> <p>ii) the labelling of renewable energy batteries ;</p> <p>iii) supplementary product information on renewable energy batteries; and</p> <p>iv) the registration of models of renewable energy batteries in the Renewable Energy Product Register; and</p> <p>b) prohibiting the manufacture, importation, offer for sale, sale, storage, donation, disposal, installation or use of a renewable energy battery that does not meet the minimum energy performance standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/G HA/39</a>	Ghana	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 06 April 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable</p>	Public lighting	<p>The purpose of these Regulations is to promote the efficient use and conservation of energy in the country and mitigate related climate change by:</p> <p>a) providing for</p> <p>i) the enforcement of standards set out in the First Schedule and the minimum energy performance standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule;</p> <p>ii) the labelling of electric mains-operated lamps and luminaires ;</p> <p>iii) supplementary product information on electric mains-operated lamps and luminaires; and</p> <p>iv) the registration of models of lamps and luminaires in the Appliance Efficiency Register; and</p> <p>b) prohibiting the manufacture, importation, offer for sale, sale, storage, donation, disposal, installation or use of a lamp and luminaire that does not meet the minimum energy performance standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/251/Rev.1</a>	India	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 06 April 2023</p>	Welding wires, rods and	Welding Rods are used in shielded metal arc welding (SMAW), also known as stick

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 04 June 2023	electrodes - Revision	welding. A welding rod can also be called a welding electrode. A welding rod is a mineral and metal powder coated metal rod. The rod has two purposes: to provide filler metal to the workpiece and to conduct electric current to the arc. Welding Electrodes are metal wires with baked on chemical coatings. The rod is use to sustain the welding arc and to provide the filler metal required for the joint to be welded. The coating protects the metal from damage, stabilized the arc and improves the weld.
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Sincerely,

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