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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 18 to 14 April 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the eleven (11) notified draft technical regulations from China, Ghana, Republic of Korea, and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/NC/HN/1718</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 09 June 2023	Light source products	This document specifies the safety requirements for light sources, including general requirements, signs and instructions, electrical safety, temperature-related requirements, mechanical safety, abnormal working condition safety, moisture-proof and dust-proof requirements. This document also includes other technical requirements that have a direct bearing on the protection of personal health and the safety of life and property. This document applies to light source products.
<a href="#">G/TBT/NC/HN/1725</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 09 June 2023	Control gear and other auxiliaries for electric lighting products	This document specifies the safety requirements for the marking, mechanical and electrical structure of the control devices and their components used in lighting products. This document applies to light source control devices and their components for direct current up to 1000 V and AC up to 1 000 V at 50 Hz or 60 Hz.
<a href="#">G/TBT/NG/HA/43</a>	Ghana	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable	Electric motors	The purpose of these Regulations is to promote the efficient use and conservation of energy in the country and mitigate related climate change by: a) providing for

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				<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 motors;</p> <p>iii) supplementary product information on electric motors; and</p> <p>iv) the registration of models of electric motors in the Appliance Efficiency Register; and</p> <p>b) prohibiting the manufacture, importation, offer for sale, sale, storage, donation, disposal, installation or use of an electric motor 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/46</a>	Ghana	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable</p>	Distribution transformers	<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 distribution transformers</p> <p>iii) supplementary product information on distribution transformers; and</p> <p>iv) the registration of models of distribution transformers in the Appliance Efficiency Register; and</p> <p>and</p> <p>b) prohibiting the manufacture, importation, offer for sale, sale, storage, donation, disposal, installation or use of a distribution transformer 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/47</a>	Ghana	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable	Inverters	<p>The purpose of these Regulations is to promote the efficient use of inverters 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 efficiency standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule;</p> <p>ii) the labelling of inverters;</p> <p>iii) supplementary product information on inverters; and</p> <p>iv) the registration of models of inverters 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 an inverter that does not meet the minimum energy performance standards set out in Part One of the Second Schedule.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/K OR/1134</a>	Republic of Korea	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 13 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 11 June 2023	Electrical appliances and consumer products (repurposed battery)	<p>KATS proposes amendments to the Enforcement Rule of the Electrical Appliances and Consumer Products Safety Control Act. The main modification is as below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (Designation Criteria) Defines the designation requirements of the inspection agency necessary for conducting safety inspections, such as organization/work system, personnel/facility requirements, etc. (Article 14-2)</li> <li>- (Penalty surcharge) Establish grounds for imposing a surcharge in cases where there is a concern about user inconvenience due to inspection agency business suspension (Article 14-3)</li> <li>- (Fine) Establish grounds for levying fines for violations of the law by safety inspection institutions and manufacturers (table 3)</li> </ul>

<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1135</a>	Republic of Korea	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 13 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 11 June 2023	Electrical appliances and consumer products (repurposed battery)	KATS proposes amendments to the Enforcement Rule of the Electrical Appliances and Consumer Products Safety Control Act. The main modification is as below. - (products) Electrical appliances manufactured for the purpose of reusing used batteries are designated as repurposed batteries (Article 3, Table 7-2) - (Safety Standards) Establish a basis for applying new safety standards to products for which it is difficult to apply the notified safety standards (Article 55-6) - (Inspection procedure) Application for safety inspection, total inspection of repurposed batteries, manufacturer's duty to keep inspection documents, safety inspection certificate issuance regulations (Article 55-4, 55-5, 55-7, form 25, 26) - (labeling) Regulations on labeling and labeling items before shipment of products that have been inspected (Article 55-8, table 9)
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1136</a>	Republic of Korea	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 13 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 11 June 2023	Electrical appliances and consumer products (repurposed battery)	KATS proposes amendments to the Operation Bulletin of the Electrical Appliances and Consumer Products Safety Control Act. The main modification is as below. - Establishment of safety inspection agency designation review procedure (Section 2) - Obligation and form for issuing inspection results after safety inspection for repurposed battery (Article 56-2, 56-3, form 8-2) - Labeling of products that have passed safety inspection (Article 57~59) - Apply the safety standards effective on the date of application for safety inspection (Article 63) - Designation of electrical appliances subject to safety

				<p>inspection (Table 3-2) KATS proposes amendments to the Operation Bulletin of the Electrical Appliances and Consumer Products Safety Control Act. The main modification is as below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Establishment of safety inspection agency designation review procedure (Section 2)</li> <li>- Obligation and form for issuing inspection results after safety inspection for repurposed battery (Article 56-2, 56-3, form 8-2)</li> <li>- Labeling of products that have passed safety inspection (Article 57~59)</li> <li>- Apply the safety standards effective on the date of application for safety inspection (Article 63)</li> <li>- Designation of electrical appliances subject to safety inspection (Table 3-2)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1137</a>	Republic of Korea	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 13 April 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 11 June 2023</p>	Safety requirements for secondary lithium batteries to repurpose used lithium batteries	<p>Preparation of safety standards for safety management of repurposed batteries. The main modification is as below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General requirements</li> <li>- Quality and performance requirements</li> <li>- Functional safety review with BMS, etc.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/934/Rev.1/Add.1</a>	United States	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 11 April 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated</p>	Ceiling fan light kits - Addendum	<p>In this final rule, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is amending the test procedure for ceiling fan light kits ("CFLKs") to update references to industry standards to their latest versions; incorporate by reference additional industry standards necessary for executing the test; allow the use of a goniophotometer; revise definitions regarding CFLKs with solid-state lighting ("SSL") light sources to clarify the scope and test methods for such products;</p>

				and remove an obsolete test method for CFLKs
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/US/1964/Add.1</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 13 April 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 12 June 2023	Button cell or coin batteries - Addendum	On 9 February 2023, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) to establish testing and labeling requirements for consumer products that contain or are designed to use button cell or coin batteries, and for the labeling of button cell or coin battery packaging. The NPR estimated the burden associated with these requirements for children's products, but did not include an estimated burden for testing and labeling of non-children's products or for labeling button cell or coin battery packaging. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the CPSC requests comments on a proposed collection of information for Testing and Labeling of Non-Children's Products Containing or Designed to Use Button Cell or Coin Batteries and Labeling of Button Cell or Battery Packaging. CPSC will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting a control number for this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

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Thank you.

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