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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 29 to 04 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Chile and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/C/HL/658	Chile	Date of Distribution: 4 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 2 October 2023	Thermoelectric plants	The purpose of this emission standard is to control air emissions of particulate matter (PM), nitrogen oxides (NOX), carbon dioxide sulfur (SO ₂), mercury (Hg), nickel (Ni) and vanadium (V), in order to prevent and protect the health of people and the environment.
G/TBT/N/USA/508/Rev.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 31 July 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 September 2023	Water heaters, pool heaters - Revision	The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including consumer water heaters. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department") to periodically determine whether more-stringent standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified and would result in significant energy savings. In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NPR"), DOE proposes amended energy conservation standards for consumer water heaters, and also announces a public meeting via webinar to receive comments on these proposed standards and associated analyses and results.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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