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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.tbts.wto.org) from 11 to 17 June 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the four (4) notified draft technical regulations from two (2) WTO Member Countries:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/ESP/47	Spain	Date of Distribution: 17 June 2022 Deadline for Comments: 16 August 2022	Plastic bottles	Establishes the criteria for the end of the waste condition for certain plastic waste that is treated mechanically. Its fulfillment implies the consideration of this plastic waste treated as a product and not as a residue.
G/TBT/N/USA/1833/Add.1	United States of America	Date of Distribution: 15 June 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Applicable	Domestic, commercial and industrial heating appliances - Addendum	The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department") is initiating an effort to evaluate the potential for energy conservation standards for consumer miscellaneous gas products.
G/TBT/N/USA/1875	United States of America	Date of Distribution: 14 June 2022 Deadline for Comments: 28 July 2022	Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS)	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing an alternative renewable identification number (RIN) retirement schedule for small refineries under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program for the 2020 compliance year
G/TBT/N/USA/1877	United States of America	Date of Distribution: 14 June 2022 Deadline for Comments: 13 July 2022	'Consumer refrigeration and miscellaneous refrigeration products	On 18 July 2016, the U.S. Department of Energy published a final rule (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/942/Add.1 and G/TBT/N/USA/661/Add.6) that amended the test procedure for refrigerators and refrigerator-freezers and established both coverage and procedures for testing miscellaneous refrigeration products ("MREFs")

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph, copy Mrs. Catherine Antonio-Paguinto (CatherineAntonio@dti.gov.ph) and Ms. Jasmin E. Metre (JasminMetre@dti.gov.ph).

Thank you.

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