

09 November 2022

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 22 to 28 October 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/AUS/129/Add.2	Australia	Date of Distribution: 26 October 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Projectile toys - Addendum	The mandatory standard for projectile toys was updated to incorporate amendments which were made to the voluntary Australian and International standards in late 2020
G/TBT/N/THA/683	Thailand	Date of Distribution: 27 October 2022 Deadline for Comments: 25 December 2022	Halogen oven	This draft notification prescribes halogen ovens as label-controlled goods. Halogen oven means an electrical appliance with the purpose of cooking by using hot air circulating inside the container, such as Air Fryer.
G/TBT/N/TPKM/508	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Date of Distribution: 24 October 2022 Deadline for Comments: 23 December 2022	Electric storage tank water heaters	The "Requirements on Minimum Energy Performance Standard and Energy Efficiency Rating Labelling and Inspection for Electric Storage Tank Water Heaters (Amendment Draft)," proposed by the Bureau of Energy Affairs, Ministry of Economic Affairs, was notified on 2 September 2022 as per G/TBT/N/TPKM/407/Rev.1. As the requirements on the capacity of inner tank are included in the notified amendment draft, the BSMI proposes to remove the requirement of Section 8.11 "Capacity of inner tank" of

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- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

				CNS 11010:2013 from BSMI's testing items to avoid overlapping jurisdiction with the BOE.
G/TBT/N/USA/1935	United States	Date of Distribution: 27 October 2022 Deadline for Comments: 27 December 2022	Energy labeling rule	Advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) - The Federal Trade Commission (FTC or Commission) seeks public comment on potential amendments to the Energy Labeling Rule (Rule), including energy labels for several new consumer product categories, and other possible amendments to improve the Rule's effectiveness and reduce unnecessary burdens
G/TBT/N/USA/552/Rev.2/Add.2	United States	Date of Distribution: 26 October 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Air conditioners, heat pumps - Addendum	The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is amending the test procedures for central air conditioners and heat pumps that will be required for certification of compliance with applicable energy conservation standards starting 1 January 2023, to address a limited number of specific issues, and making minor corrections to the current test procedures that are required for certification of compliance with applicable energy conservation standards prior to 1 January 2023.

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 bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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