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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 26 November to 02 December 2022.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/J PN/755	Japan	Date of Distribution: 28 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: 26 January 2023	Powered air-purifying respirator (G-PAPR) for halogen gases, organic gases and other toxic gases	The Enforcement Order of Industrial Safety and Health Law is to be amended as follows; 1) To add G-PAPR to the list of machines which shall not be transferred, leased or installed without undergoing type examination, and 2) To establish the Construction Standard of G-PAPR by reference to Japan Industrial Standards. The Construction Standard will classify G-PAPR according to the shape of the mask, the air capacity and the substances of toxic gases to be purified by the canister or cartridge, and will prescribe additional requirements of structure and strength, test methods of the performance and items to be indicated.
G/TBT/N/U SA/1655/Ad d.7	United States	Date of Distribution: 30 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: 30 January 2023	Residential furnaces and commercial water heaters - Addendum	The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") announces the availability of the preliminary analysis it has conducted for purposes of evaluating the need for amended energy conservation standards for non-weatherized oil-fired furnaces ("NWOs"), mobile home oil-fired furnaces ("MHOs"), weatherized gas furnaces ("WGFs"), weatherized oil-fired furnaces ("WOFs"), and electric furnaces

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				<p>("EFs"). The analysis is set forth in the Department's accompanying preliminary technical support document ("TSD") for this rulemaking. DOE will hold a public meeting via webinar to discuss and receive comment on the preliminary analysis. The meeting will cover the analytical framework, models, and tools used to evaluate potential standards; the results of preliminary analyses performed by DOE; the potential energy conservation standard levels derived from these analyses (if DOE determines that proposed amendments are necessary); and other relevant issues.</p>
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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