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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 03 to 09 June 2023.

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/JOR/51	Jordan	<p>Date of Distribution: 06 June 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 01 August 2023</p>	Refrigerating appliances	<p>This Regulation establishes requirements for the labelling of, and the provision of supplementary product information on, electric mains-operated refrigerating appliances with a volume of more than 10 litres and of less than or equal to 1 500 litres.</p> <p>This Regulation does not apply to:</p> <p>(a) professional refrigerated storage cabinets and blast cabinets, with the exception of professional chest freezers;</p> <p>(b) refrigerating appliances with a direct sales function;</p> <p>(c) mobile refrigerating appliances;</p> <p>(d) appliances where the primary function is not the storage of foodstuffs through refrigeration.</p>
G/TBT/N/NZL/125	New Zealand	<p>Date of Distribution: 09 June 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 07 August 2023</p>	Ice makers and ice making	<p>The notified consultation document presents policy options to introduce Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEPS) for commercial ice-makers offered for sale in New Zealand and Australia.</p> <p>The scope of the proposal applies to commercial ice makers with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plumbed water supply and drainage connection and

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Membership:

- 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)

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A capacity up to 1,000kg per 24 hours, when tested to AS/NZS 4865 or equivalent (ambient temperature 32 degrees, water temperature 21 degrees).
G/TBT/N/US/1843/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 06 June 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Energy conservation program : energy conservation standards for computer room air conditioners - Addendum	The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended (EPCA), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including small, large, and very large commercial package air conditioning and heating equipment, of which computer room air conditioners (CRACs) are a category
G/TBT/N/US/1846/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 06 June 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Air cooled, three-phase, small commercial air conditioners and heat pumps - Addendum	In this final rule, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) is adopting amended energy conservation standards for air cooled, three-phase, small commercial air conditioners and heat pumps with a cooling capacity of less than 65,000 Btu/h and air-cooled, three-phase, variable refrigerant flow air conditioners and heat pumps with a cooling capacity of less than 65,000 Btu/h that rely on new efficiency metrics and align with amended efficiency levels in the industry standard. For the relevant equipment classes, DOE has determined that it lacks clear and convincing evidence required by the statute to adopt standards more stringent than the levels specified in the industry standard.
G/TBT/N/PT/525	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Date of Distribution: 05 June 2023 Deadline for Comments: 03 August 2023	Portable air conditioners	Portable air conditioners are gaining popularity among consumers. Considering that they share similar risks with conventional air conditioners, which are already regulated by BSMI, BSMI proposes to add portable air conditioners into the scope of legal inspection.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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