

23 March 2023

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 11 to 17 March 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from European Union and United States:

| Document Symbol | Notifying Member | Relevant Dates | Products Covered | Summary |
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| G/TBT/NE/U/960 | European Union | Date of Distribution: 17 March 2023 Deadline for Comments: 15 May 2023 | Ecodesign requirements for local space heaters | This draft Commission Regulation covers local space heaters to be placed on the EU market. The draft regulation lays down minimum energy performance requirements, in particular on power demand in active mode and for the low power modes of local space heaters; The draft regulation extends and clarifies the scope of ecodesign requirements by removing the exemption for slave heaters, which will now come in the scope of ecodesign rules, and by including energy efficiency targets for towel rails. |
| G/TBT/NU/SA/691/Rev.1 | United States | Date of Distribution: 16 March 2023 Deadline for Comments: 15 May 2023 | Battery chargers, external power supplies - 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 battery chargers. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "Department") to periodically determine whether more-stringent, standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would result in significant energy savings. |
| G/TBT/NU/SA/1976 | United States | Date of Distribution: | Pool controls | Proposed regulatory language updating the existing regulation |

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| | | 17 March 2023 Deadline for Comments: 10 April 2023 | | for flexible demand standards for pool controls. In 2019 the California Legislature passed Senate Bill 49 (SB 49, Skinner, Chapter 697, Statutes of 2019) granting the CEC with new authority to develop standards for flexible demand technologies to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from electricity generation. Flexible demand technologies enable an appliance to schedule, shift, or curtail the electrical demand with the consumer's consent. The CEC has identified pool controls, a device that sets the daily schedule of the pool filter pump, pool heater, chlorinator, and pressure cleaner booster pump, as an ideal candidate for the first of California's flexible demand appliance standards (FDAS). |
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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