

12 April 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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 25 to 31 March 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the seven (7) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/NC/HE/268/Add.2</a>	Switzerland	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 25 May 2023	Electricity consumption of several domestic and professional appliances - Addendum	The present addendum only concerns the requirements for commercial dishwashers. Originally, integrated heat recovery was proposed as a minimum requirement for commercial dishwashers. Due to the comments received from the industry, this requirement was abandoned in favour of an obligation to publish standardised measured values for energy and water consumption. The product information must be provided in the technical documentation and on a freely accessible website of the supplier or manufacturer. However, it is not required that the values are shown in sales offers or on the appliances themselves (as is known from the energy label). The obligation enters into force on 1 January 2024. Products that do not meet the requirement may still be sold during a 12-month transition period until 31 December 2024.
<a href="#">G/TBT/NG/HA/32</a>	Ghana	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 29 March 2023	Refrigerating appliances	The present addendum only concerns the requirements for commercial dishwashers. Originally, integrated heat

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		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Applicable		recovery was proposed as a minimum requirement for commercial dishwashers. Due to the comments received from the industry, this requirement was abandoned in favour of an obligation to publish standardised measured values for energy and water consumption. The product information must be provided in the technical documentation and on a freely accessible website of the supplier or manufacturer. However, it is not required that the values are shown in sales offers or on the appliances themselves (as is known from the energy label). The obligation enters into force on 1 January 2024. Products that do not meet the requirement may still be sold during a 12-month transition period until 31 December 2024.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/244</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Closed	Refrigerators household type	To direct display of particulars on label on Refrigerators as specified in the regulation.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/245</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Closed	Chillers	To direct display of particulars on label on Chillers as specified in the regulation
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/248</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 28 May 2023	Flame-producing lighters	Flame-Producing Lighters Order
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/998/Add.7</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 31 March 2023	Residential conventional ovens - Addendum	On 1 February 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking

		<p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 17 April 2023</p>		<p>("SNOPR") and announcement of public meeting (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/998/Add.5) proposing amended energy conservation standards for conventional cooking products and announcing a public meeting to receive comment on the proposed standards and associated analyses and results. ("February 2023 SNOPR") The notice provided an opportunity for submitting written comments, data, and information by 3 April 2023. DOE received a request from the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) to extend the written comment period. DOE has reviewed this request and is granting a 14-day extension of the public comment period to allow comments to be submitted until 17 April 2023.</p>
<p><a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1817/R ev.1</a></p>	<p>United States</p>	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 22 May 2023</p>	<p>Dishwashers - Revision</p>	<p>In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR"), the U.S Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to add clarifying instructions regarding the detergent reporting requirements and an enforcement provision for dishwashers to specify the detergent and dosing method that DOE would use for any enforcement testing of dishwasher models certified in accordance with the currently applicable dishwasher test procedure prior to 17 July 2023 (i.e., the date by which the dishwasher test procedure as amended by a final rule published on 18 January 2023, (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/1817/Add.1) will be mandatory for product testing). DOE is also proposing to add within the</p>

				amended test procedure clarifying instructions regarding the allowable dosing options for each type of detergent. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on this NOPR.
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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