

15 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 25 February to 03 March 2023.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/USA/583/Rev.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 28 February 2023 Deadline for Comments: 28 April 2023	Residential refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers - 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 refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department") to periodically determine whether more stringent standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would result in significant energy savings. In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NPR"), DOE proposes amended energy conservation standards for refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers, and also announces a public meeting to receive comment on these proposed standards and associated analyses and results.
G/TBT/N/USA/998/Add.5/Corr.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 02 March 2023 Deadline for Comments:	Residential conventional ovens - Corrigendum	In Proposed Rule Document 2023-00610, appearing on pages 6818-6904 in the issue of the Federal Register published on Wednesday, 1 February 2023, make the following correction:

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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)

		03 April 2023		On page 6904, in the third column, the table is corrected to read as set forth below: Sec. 430.32 Energy and water conservation standards and their compliance dates [Corrected]
G/TBT/N/USA/998/Add.6	United States	Date of Distribution: 02 March 2023 Deadline for Comments: 03 April 2023	Residential conventional ovens - Addendum	On 1 February 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNOPR) (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/998/Add.5), in which DOE proposed new and amended energy conservation standards for consumer conventional cooking products.

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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