

22 February 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 04 to 10 February 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the four (4) notified draft technical regulations from United Arab Emirates and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NA/RE/571	United Arab Emirates	Date of Distribution: 06 February 2023 Deadline for Comments: 06 April 2023	Electrical appliances : household refrigerating appliance	This regulation covers brand new household refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerator-freezers having a capacity of not more than 1,500 liters importer to or manufactured in the UAE. This regulation applies to electric mains-operated household refrigerating appliances, stand-alone or built-in configuration. Refrigerating appliances intended for industrial or commercial use are outside the coverage of this regulation. Refrigerating appliances intended for refrigeration of items other than foodstuff are not included in this regulation.
G/TBT/NU/SA/595/Rev.1/Add.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 07 February 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Guides, consumer products - Addendum	The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") extends the comment period for its Regulatory Review Notice regarding its Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims ("Green Guides" or "Guides").
G/TBT/NU/SA/1799/Add.d.3/Corr.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 08 February 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Cooking products - Corrigendum	On 22 August 2022, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published a final rule adopting test procedures for a category of cooking products, i.e., conventional cooking tops. This document corrects errors and omissions in that final rule. Neither the errors and omissions nor the corrections affect the substance of the rulemaking or

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				any conclusions reached in support of the final rule.
G/TBT/N/USA/1877/Add.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 08 February 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Consumer refrigeration and miscellaneous refrigeration products - Addendum	On 18 July 2016, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a final rule (notified in G/TBT/N/USA/942/Add.1) that amended the test procedure for refrigerators and refrigerator freezers and established both coverage and procedures for testing miscellaneous refrigeration products ("MREFs"). That final rule also established provisions within DOE's certification requirements to provide instructions regarding product category determinations, which were intended to be consistent with the definitions established for MREFs and refrigerators, refrigeratorfreezers, and freezers. This final rule corrects certain inconsistencies between the instructions for determining product categories and the corresponding product definitions to avoid confusion regarding the application of those definitions.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,


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