

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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 11 to 17 February 2023.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/923/Add.4</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 14 February 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Packaged terminal air conditioners and packaged terminal heat pumps - 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 Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners ("PTACs") and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps ("PHTPs"). EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") to periodically review standards. In this final determination, DOE has determined that it lacks clear and convincing evidence that more-stringent standards for PTACs and PHTPs would be economically justified. As such, DOE has determined that energy conservation standards for PTACs and PHTPs do not need to be amended.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1965</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 14 February 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 March 2023	Renewable energy regulations	Notice of proposed rulemaking - The first Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) renewable energy regulations were promulgated in 2009 by BOEM's predecessor, the Minerals Management Service (MMS). BOEM's renewable energy program has matured over the past 13 years, during which time BOEM conducted eleven auctions and issued and managed 27 active commercial leases. Based on this

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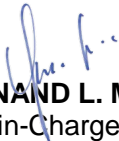
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
  - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
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				<p>experience, the Department has identified opportunities to modernize its regulations to facilitate the development of offshore wind energy resources to meet U.S. climate and renewable energy objectives. This proposed rule contains reforms identified by the Department and recommended by industry since 2010, including proposals for incremental funding of decommissioning accounts; more flexible geophysical and geotechnical survey submission requirements; streamlined approval of meteorological (met) buoys; revised project verification procedures; reform of BOEM's renewable energy auction process; and greater clarity regarding safety requirements. This proposed rule would advance the Department of the Interior's (DOI) energy policies in a safe and environmentally sound manner that would provide a fair return to the U.S. taxpayer</p>
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Thank you.

Sincerely,



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