

10 May 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 29 April to 05 May 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/U SA/1117/A dd.9 | United States | Date of Distribution: 03 May 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated | Pipeline safety - Addendum | PHMSA is making necessary technical corrections to ensure consistency within, and the intended effect of, a recently issued final rule titled "Safety of Gas Transmission Pipelines: Repair Criteria, Integrity Management Improvements, Cathodic Protection, Management of Change, and Other Related Amendments." PHMSA also alerts the public to its 18 November 2022, and 19 April 2023, responses to petitions for reconsideration of this final rule |
| G/TBT/N/U SA/1900/A dd.1 | United States | Date of Distribution: 02 May 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated | Fans and blowers - Addendum | The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") establishes a test procedure for fans and blowers, including air circulating fans, and incorporates by reference the relevant industry test standards for: measuring the fan electrical input power and determining the fan energy index of fans and blowers other than air-circulating fans; and measuring the fan airflow in cubic feet per minute per watt of electric power input of air-circulating fans. In this final rule, DOE also establishes supporting definitions, requirements for alternative efficiency determination methods, and sampling requirements. |

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| G/TBT/N/U | United | Date of | Protection of | Pursuant to the U.S. |
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| SA/1907/A | States | Distribution: | stratospheric | Environmental Protection |
| <u>dd.1</u> | | 03 May 2023 | ozone: | Agency's Significant New |
| | | | refrigeration, | Alternatives Policy (SNAP) |
| | | Deadline for | air | program, this action lists certain |
| | | Comments: | conditioning | substances as acceptable, |
| | | Not Indicated | and fire | subject to use conditions, in the |
| | | | suppression - | refrigeration and air conditioning |
| | | | Addendum | sector for chillerscomfort |
| | | | | cooling, residential dehumidifiers, |
| | | | | residential and light commercial |
| | | | | air conditioning and heat pumps, |
| | | | | and a substance as acceptable, |
| | | | | subject to use conditions and |
| | | | | narrowed use limits, in very low |
| | | | | temperature refrigeration. |
| | | | | Through this action, EPA is |
| | | | | incorporating by reference standards which establish |
| | | | | requirements for electrical air |
| | | | | conditioners, heat pumps, and |
| | | | | dehumidifiers, laboratory |
| | | | | equipment containing refrigerant, |
| | | | | safe use of flammable |
| | | | | refrigerants, and safe design, |
| | | | | construction, installation, and |
| | | | | operation of refrigeration systems. |
| | | | | Finally, this action lists certain |
| | | | | substances as acceptable, |
| | | | | subject to use conditions, in the |
| | | | | fire suppression sector for certain |
| | | | | streaming and total flooding uses. |

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

