

26 September 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 16 to 22 September 2023.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/S/AU/1309	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Date of Distribution: 18 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: 16 November 2023	Lighting products	The aim of amending standard SASO2902:20218 is to further clarify some requirements, as well as to ensure the ideal application of the standard, as some definitions have been added, as well as some requirements for Marking and Products exempted.; Consumer information, labelling; Protection of the environment
G/TBT/N/E/GY/171/Ad d.3	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 20 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Mechanically operated locks and locking plates - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 197 /2023 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers twelve-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 5454" Building hardware - Mechanically operated locks and locking plates - Requirements and test methods" (73 pages, in Arabic) This standard cancels and supersedes its last edition in 2020
G/TBT/N/IN/ND/317	India	Date of Distribution: 21 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: 19 November 2023	Asbestos / fibre cement based products	Asbestos Cement (Fibre Cement) products are made with a mix of Chrysotile Fibres (9%), Cement (about 40%), Fly Ash (about 30%) and the rest being wood pulp and water. The corrugated and semi-corrugated asbestos cement sheets have been used in India for over 80 years. Being weather-proof, fire-resistant, non-

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				<p>combustible, and corrosion resistant, these sheets are durable practically ageless and maintenance free.</p> <p>The Asbestos Cement pressure pipes and joints are corrosion and erosion-free and need no maintenance or replacement once properly laid and jointed. They are also very cost effective. Asbestos cement pressure pipes are being used in this country for more than 60 years and considerable experience is available in regard to their use, over ground and underground, for water supply pressure mains.</p>
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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