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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 18 to 24 November 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the seven (7) notified draft technical regulations from five (5) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NC/AN/709	Canada	Date of Distribution: 20 November 2023 Deadline for Comments: 27 January 2024	Products containing certain toxic substances regulations	<p>The proposed Certain Products Containing Toxic Substances Regulations (the proposed Regulations) seek to reduce releases of toxic substances from products used in Canada to levels that are protective of the environment and human health. The proposed Regulations would prohibit the manufacture, import and sale of certain coal tar-based sealant products and certain sealants containing levels above 1000 ppm in 2025. The provisions also contain exemptions to the prohibitions and a transition period for certain sectors.</p> <p>The proposed Regulations would also include 2-BE, a toxic substance that is currently regulated under the 2-Butoxyethanol Regulations, which would be repealed and amalgamated under this initiative. The proposed Regulations are therefore designed as a single vehicle to manage the risks associated with multiple ecological and health toxic substances in products.</p> <p>The proposed Regulations also include general provisions for permits and record keeping.</p>
G/TBT/NC/HN/1772	China	Date of Distribution: 24 November 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Stainless steel corrugated tubes for the connection of gas appliances	<p>This document specifies the classification, specifications and models, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, packaging, transportation, and storage for the stainless steel corrugated tubes for the connection of gas appliance.</p> <p>This document applies to the stainless steel corrugated tubes conveying town</p>

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				gas which specified in GB/T 13611. The nominal size of the tube is not more than DN32, the nominal pressure is not more than 0.01MPa and it is used for the connection of the gas appliances.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1773	China	Date of Distribution: 24 November 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Armouring hose for the connection of gas appliance	This document specifies the classification, specifications and models, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, packaging, transportation, and storage for the armouring hose for the connection of gas appliance. This document applies to the armouring hoses with conveying medium of town gas specified in GB/T 13611, and the nominal size is not more than DN32, the nominal pressure is not more than 10 kPa, and the ambient temperature is -10 °C~70 °C. It is used for the connection between indoor pipe branch pipe and gas appliances or used for the connection between pressure regulators for liquefied petroleum gas cylinders and the gas appliance.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1774	China	Date of Distribution: 24 November 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Commercial gas-burning appliance	This document specifies the terminology and definitions, classification and models, requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, warnings, and instructions, as well as packaging, transportation, and storage for commercial gas-burning appliances and similar equipment. This document applies to 14 categories and their combinations of fuel-burning appliances used in commercial environments, where the fuel is in compliance with the requirements of GB/T 13611 and is sourced from urban gas, and where air for combustion is drawn from indoors, and combustion products are directly or indirectly vented outdoors.
G/TBT/N/IS R/1297	Israel	Date of Distribution: 24 November 2023 Deadline for Comments: 22 January 2024	Cut and bent steel bars and fabric for the reinforcement of concrete	Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 4466 part 5 dealing with steel for concrete reinforcement. This draft standard revision adopts the British Standard BS 8666: 2005, including its Incorporating Amendment no. 1 of January 2008, and therefore is significantly different from the old standard. The major differences between the old version and this new revised draft standard are as follows: • Expends Table 3 dealing with the standard shapes and adds details for

				<p>measurements and options for bending;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates Table 4 dealing with the standard fabric types and stock sheet size; • Deletes Section D dealing with the approval of batches; • Changes the informative Annex A dealing with the third-party certification and batch testing. <p>The following sections of this draft revision will be mandatory after the entry into force:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 1: Scope; • Section 2: Normative references; • Section 3: Terms, definitions and symbols; • Section 4: Notation; • Section 6: Form of bar or fabric label; • Section 9: Allowable deviations on cutting and bending dimensions; • Section 10: Radius of bending; • Section 11: Bending of fabric reinforcement
G/TBT/NT/PKM/533	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	<p>Date of Distribution: 23 November 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 21 January 2024</p>	Gas meters	<p>The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection proposes to amend the Technical Specification for Verification and Inspection of Diaphragm Gas Meters so as to ensure the accuracy of diaphragm gas meters. The proposed changes include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional labelling requirement; 2. Changes to permissible errors; and 3. Changes to the validity period for verification.
G/TBT/NU/KR/266/Ad d.1	Ukraine	<p>Date of Distribution: 23 November 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Equipment for restoring and stabilising power supply, navigation equipment - Addendum	<p>Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 1213 "On Approval of the List of Products for the Purposes of Application of Certain Technical Regulations and Amending Certain Resolutions of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine" on 17 November 2023.</p>

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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