

24 August 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 12 to 18 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, and Ukraine:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/ARG/297/Add.16	Argentina	Date of Distribution: 17 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Low voltage electrical products - Addendum	The Draft Resolution amending Resolution SC No. 169/2018 is notified, which aims to specify the definitions and requirements established in the aforementioned Resolution and its amendments (G/TBT/N/ARG/297/Add.11 - 15) with regard to equipment Electrical exempt from product safety certification.
G/TBT/N/BRA/494/Rev.1/Add.1/Corr.1	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 15 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Wires, cables and electrical cords (electrical apparatus for making connections to or in electrical circuits) - Corrigendum	Rectification of Inmetro Ordinance No. 131, 23 March 2022, published in the Official Gazette of 29 March 2022, section 1, pages 66 to 89, consolidation Consolidation of technical quality regulation and conformity assessment requirements for electrical wires, cables and cords.
G/TBT/N/BRA/502/Add.1/Corr.2	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 15 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Plugs and sockets - Corrigendum	Rectification of Inmetro Ordinance No. 9, 17 January 2022, published in the Official Gazette of 19 January 2022, section 1, pages 11 to 15, consolidation of conformity assessment requirements for plug and socket adapters.

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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)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/C RI/200	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 18 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 15 October 2023	Minimum technical requirements to be met by the series of lights, Christmas decorations and decorative figures for domestic use whose rated voltage is not greater than 120 V	The purpose of this technical regulation is to establish the minimum technical requirements to be met by the series of lights, Christmas decorations and decorative figures for domestic use whose rated voltage is not greater than 120 V in accordance with Executive Decree No. 36979-MEIC Regulation of Officialization of the Costa Rica Electrical Code for the Safety of Life and Property (RTCR 458:2011) and which are used or marketed on the domestic market, whether domestic or imported production. It is considered as "seasonal use" to a period of installation and use not exceeding 90 days.
G/TBT/N/U KR/266	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 15 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 13 October 2023	Equipment for restoring and stabilising power supply, navigation equipment	The draft Resolution provides for the approval of the list of products for the purposes of application of certain Technical regulations, which contains products that may be subject to the relevant Technical regulations and are critical to ensure the need for required equipment due to problems in the energy sector under martial law in Ukraine.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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