

19 October 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 07 to 13 October 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/USA/863/Ad d.5	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 10 October 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 05 December 2023</p>	Fans - 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 consumer furnace fans. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") to periodically determine whether more-stringent, amended standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would result in significant energy savings. In this notification of proposed determination ("NOPD"), DOE has initially determined that it could not conclude that amended standards would be cost effective, and thus, is not proposing to amend its energy conservation standards for these products. DOE requests comment on this proposed determination and the associated analyses and results.
G/TBT/N/USA/1976/A dd.3	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 09 October 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Pool controls - Addendum	First, section 1693(b)(1) proposes that the effective date be, "the earlier of either the compliance date of the federal energy conservation standards for dedicated purpose pool pump motors with motor total horsepower from 1.15 THP to 5 THP or 2 years after adoption by the Energy Commission". As DOE has now published in the Federal Register a compliance date of 29

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				September 2025, which is earlier than 18 October 2025, staff proposes to replace this language with the date "29 September 2025". Second, there is a typographic error in the definition of "pool control", where the phrase "safety interlock or shutoff controls" is instead written "safety interlock of shutoff controls".
G/TBT/N/U SA/1403/Add.2	United States	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Heavy duty engine on-board diagnostic system - Addendum	CARB staff has published CARB Mail-Out # ECCD 2023-01, "Guidance for On-Board Diagnostic II and Heavy-Duty On-Board Diagnostic Production Vehicle/ Engine Evaluation Testing and Manufacturer Self-Testing Reporting Documentation." This document contains details on CARB developed templates that manufacturers may use to report the testing result information required by the OBD II and heavy-duty OBD regulations. Specifically, the templates were developed for the results information for production vehicle/engine evaluation testing and manufacturer self-testing.

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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