

13 March 2024

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 02 to 08 March 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the six (6) notified draft technical regulations from Egypt, United States, and Costa Rica:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/EGY/157/Add.4	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 04 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Household and similar electrical appliances - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 7284 for "Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Particular requirements for spin extractors" (264 pages, in English) It should be noted that the Ministerial Decree No. 241/2016 (3 pages, in Arabic) that was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/157 dated 15 August 2016, mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard
G/TBT/N/USA/1976/Add.4	United States	Date of Distribution: 05 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Pool controls - Addendum	In this rulemaking action, the California Energy Commission (CEC) adopts new regulations governing Flexible Demand Appliance Standards. CEC adopts definitions, requirements, and enforcement provisions applicable to Flexible Demand Appliances generally and adopts definitions, requirements, and standards specific to flexible demand pool controls.
G/TBT/N/CRI/189/Add.10	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 05 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Air conditioners - Addendum	The process to establish the equivalence between AHRI Standard 210/240-2017 and Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 23.01.78:20 is under way.
G/TBT/N/CRI/189/Add.11	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 05 March 2024	Air conditioners - Addendum	The process to establish the equivalence between AHRI Standard 210/240-2017 and Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 23.01.78:20 is

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 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

		Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated		under way. The following certification numbers are associated with the validity of this equivalence: AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987814 AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987815 AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987816
G/TBT/NC RI/189/Add .12	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 05 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Air conditioners - Addendum	The process to establish the equivalence between AHRI Standard 210/240-2017 and Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 23.01.78:20 is under way. The following certification numbers are associated with the validity of this equivalence: AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987814 AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987815 AHRI Certified Reference Number: AHRI 211987816
G/TBT/NU SA/2074/Add.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 08 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Appliance efficiency - Addendum	The California Energy Commission (CEC) has made available the transcript and presentation slides for the 9 January 2024 public hearing regarding the federal and administrative updates to the 2022 Amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations.

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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Director