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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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 02 to 08 March 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Israel and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/1328</a>	Israel	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 04 March 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 02 May 2024</p>	Steel for the reinforcement of concrete : cold-reduced steel wires for the manufacture of welded fabrics	<p>Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 4466 part 4, dealing with welded steel fabrics for concrete reinforcement, is to be replaced with SI 4466 parts 4.1 and 4.2 and, therefore, differ significantly. The proposed standard's division will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SI 4466 part 4.1 will deal with cold-reduced steel wires for the manufacture of welded fabrics. The requirements of this part will be voluntary after the entry of this revision into force.</li> <li>SI 4466 part 4.2 will deal with welded fabrics. All sections of this part will be mandatory after the entry into force of this revision.</li> </ol> <p>It adopts the International Standard ISO 6935-3 – First edition: 1992-12-15, including its Technical Corrigendum 1: 2000-04-15, with a few changes that appear in the standard's Hebrew section as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Changes the normative references (section 2);</li> <li>o Adds to sub-section 4.1.1 a new dimension;</li> <li>o Adds to sub-section 7.1 dealing with the tensile test a new option;</li> <li>o Replaces the International Standards referred to in sub-sections 8.1 (regular fabric) and 8.2 (designed fabric);</li> <li>o Removes from section 9 the marking requirement of the International Standards;</li> <li>o Deletes the last paragraph of sub-section 10.2 dealing with the testing of a specific delivery.</li> </ul> <p>Both the old standard and these new revised standards will apply from entry</p>

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				into force of this revision for a period of 12 months. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standard.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/US/1999/A/td.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 07 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Taconite iron ore processing emissions - Addendum	The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Taconite Iron Ore Processing. Specifically, the EPA is finalizing maximum achievable control technology (MACT) standards for mercury (Hg) and establishing revised emission standards for hydrogen chloride (HCl) and hydrogen fluoride (HF). This final action ensures that emissions of all hazardous air pollutants (HAP) emitted from the Taconite Iron Ore Processing source category are regulated.

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Sincerely,

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