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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 08 to 14 June 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and New Zealand:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/B/DI/483	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 11 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 10 August 2024	Air conditioning appliances for household and similar use	This Draft East African Standard specifies the minimum energy performance and energy labelling requirements for electrical non-ducted single-split, self-contained air-cooled air conditioners, air-to-air reversible heat pumps, and portable air conditioners, with a rated cooling output of up to 16 kW placed on the market for any application. This standard does not apply to: water-cooled air conditioners, water-source heat pumps, multi-split air conditioners, multi-split air-to-air heat pumps, variable refrigerant flow systems, and ducted equipment as well as non-electric energy sources.
G/TBT/N/N/ZL/133	New Zealand	Date of Distribution: 10 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 7 August 2024	Building products	This document includes the Cabinet paper (and appendices) seeking policy approval for a package of changes to the Building Act 2004 to remove barriers in the building consent system. This package of changes to the Building Act 2004 are to: Make it easier to use products from overseas; Streamline citing of international standards; and Mandate acceptance of certain overseas building products. To make it easier to use products from overseas the changes to the Building Act 2004 will enable the New Zealand Minister for Building and Construction to recognise building product standards from overseas standards organisations and certifications from standard certification schemes.

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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