

27 June 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 15 to 21 June 2024.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NE/ CU/539	Ecuador	Date of Distribution: 20 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 19 August 2024	Hearing protectors	This Ecuadorian technical regulation applies to the following products, whether national or imported, that are marketed in Ecuador: Earmuffs Earplugs Earmuffs attached to head and/or face protection equipment
G/TBT/NE/ CU/540	Ecuador	Date of Distribution: 20 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 19 August 2024	Respiratory protective devices	This Ecuadorian technical regulation applies to the following products, whether national or imported, that are marketed in Ecuador: Full masks, for use as respiratory protection equipment, Half masks and quarter masks for use as part of respiratory protection equipment, Filtering half masks used as respiratory protection devices, Particle filters for use as components of protective equipment unassisted respiratory protection. Gas filters and combined filters that are used as components in unassisted respiratory protection equipment.
G/TBT/NE/ CU/541	Ecuador	Date of Distribution: 20 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 19 August 2024	Safety and protective headgear	This Ecuadorian technical regulation applies to the following products, whether national or imported, that are marketed in Ecuador: Safety helmets for general and specific use in the industry Protective helmets for cyclists and for users of skateboards and roller skates Protective helmets against impacts for children Protective helmets for use by motorcycle drivers and passengers.

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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 HN/1865	China	Date of Distribution: 19 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 18 August 2024	Packaging for dangerous goods	The document specifies classification, code for designating types and marking of packaging, transport marking and labelling, packaging requirements of dangerous goods and packages, and special requirements of dangerous goods packed in limited quantities and excepted quantities. The document applies to combination packaging containing a variety of dangerous goods.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2087/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 18 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Emergency alert system : wireless emergency alerts - Addendum	In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved until 31 May 2027, an information collection associated with the Commission's Third Report and Order, FCC 23-88 (Order), in which the Commission, among other things, adopted a new rule that provided Participating Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) Providers may support up to two Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) tests that the public receives by default per county or county equivalent per calendar year.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2017/A dd.3	United States	Date of Distribution: 17 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Lowering miners' exposure to respirable crystalline silica and improving respiratory protection - Addendum	The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is amending its existing standards to better protect miners against occupational exposure to respirable crystalline silica, a significant health hazard, and to improve respiratory protection for miners from exposure to airborne contaminants.

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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