

29 May 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 18 to 24 May 2024.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/C HN/1861	China	Date of Distribution: 23 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 22 July 2024	Point type heat fire detectors	This document specifies the terms and definitions of point type heat fire detectors, specifies their classification, requirements, inspection rules and marking and instruction manual requirements, and describes the corresponding test methods.  This document applies to the design, manufacture, and inspection of point type heat fire detectors used in industrial and civil buildings.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1862	China	Date of Distribution: 23 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 22 July 2024	Manual fire call points	This document specifies the terms and definitions of manual fire call points, stipulates the classification, requirements, inspection rules, marking and instruction requirements, and describes the corresponding test methods.  This document applies to the design, manufacture, and inspection of manual fire call points used in industrial and civil buildings.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2066/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 23 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 5 June 2024	Forklift - Addendum	On 2 November 2023, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) released to the public proposed sections 3000, 3001, 3002, 3003, 3004, 3005, 3006, 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, and 3011, Title 13, California Code of Regulations (CCR) and proposed amendments to sections 2433 and 2775.1, Title 13, CCR, which would reduce criteria pollutants and greenhouse gas emission within the State from forklifts with large spark-ignition engines.
<u>G/TBT/N/U</u> <u>SA/2122</u>	United States	Date of Distribution: 23 May 2024	Energy conservation program : air- cooled	Notice of proposed rulemaking - The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various

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		Deadline for Comments: 9 September 2024	commercial package air conditioners and heat pumps	consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including air-cooled commercial package air conditioners and heat pumps with a rated cooling capacity greater than or equal to 65,000 Btu/h. In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR"), the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes amended energy conservation standards, based on clear and convincing evidence, identical to those set forth in a direct final rule ("DFR") published elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1858	China	Date of Distribution: 22 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 21 July 2024	Climb auto system against fall	This document specifies the product classification, technical requirements, test methods and so on of climb auto system against fall.  This document applies to power lifting and anti fall devices used in industries such as power maintenance, construction, and petrochemicals.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1859	China	Date of Distribution: 22 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 21 July 2024	Fire alarm receiving and dispatching system	This document specifies technical requirement and compliance evaluation of fire alarm receiving and dispatching system.  This document applies to the design, manufacture and inspection of fire alarm receiving and dispatching system for fire rescue agencies.
G/TBT/N/C HN/1860	China	Date of Distribution: 22 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 21 July 2024	Self- contained smoke alarms using scattered light or transmitted light, collection and transmission device	This document specifies the terms and definitions of self-contained smoke alarms using scattered light or transmitted light, specifies their classification, requirements, inspection rules and mark, and describes the corresponding test methods.  This document applies to the design, manufacture, and inspection of self-contained smoke alarms using scattered light or transmitted light used in industrial and civil buildings.
G/TBT/N/IS R/1347	Israel	Date of Distribution: 22 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 21 July 2024	Household and similar electrical appliances : tumble dryers	Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 900 part 2.11, dealing with tumble dryers, to be replaced with SI 60335 part 2.11. This proposed standard revision adopts the International Standard IEC 60335-2-11 – Edition 8.0: 2019-04, with a few changes that appear in the standard's Hebrew section. The major difference between the old version and this new revised draft standard is the removal of the national paragraph 203 dealing with the noise level.Both the old and the new

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G/TBT/N/U	United	Date of	Chemicals -	revised standards will apply from entry into force of this revision for a transition period of 12 months. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standard.  OSHA is amending the Hazard
SA/1697/A dd.4	States	Distribution: 21 May 2024  Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Addendum	Communication Standard (HCS) to conform to the United Nations' Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), primarily Revision 7 (Rev. 7), address issues that arose during the implementation of the 2012 update to the HCS, and provide better alignment with other U.S. agencies and international trading partners, while enhancing the effectiveness of the standard. Consistent with Executive Order 13563 and the Regulatory Flexibility Act, which call for assessment and, where appropriate, modification and improvement of existing rules, OSHA has reviewed the existing HCS.
G/TBT/N/U SA/1951/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 21 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Circulator pumps - 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 circulator pumps. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") to periodically determine whether more-stringent, standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would result in significant energy savings. In this final rule, DOE is adopting new energy conservation standards for circulator pumps.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2038/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 21 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Energy conservation program: test procedures for air- cooled, evaporatively -cooled, and water-cooled commercial package air conditioners and heat pumps - Addendum	The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is amending the Federal test procedures for air-cooled commercial package air conditioners and heat pumps with a rated cooling capacity greater than or equal to 65,000 Btu/h, evaporatively-cooled commercial package air conditioners, and water-cooled commercial package air conditioners to incorporate by reference the latest versions of the applicable industry test standards. Specifically, DOE is amending the current test procedure for this equipment for measuring the current cooling and heating metricsintegrated energy efficiency ratio ("IEER") and coefficient of performance ("COP"), respectively; and establishing a new test procedure for this equipment that adopts two new metricsintegrated ventilation,

				economizer, and cooling ("IVEC") and integrated ventilation and heating efficiency ("IVHE").
G/TBT/N/U SA/2121	United States	Date of Distribution: 21 May 2024  Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Per- and polyfluoroalk yl substances	Final Rule - The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is updating the list of chemicals subject to toxic chemical release reporting under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) and the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA). Specifically, this action updates the regulations to identify seven per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) that must be reported pursuant to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (FY2020 NDAA) enacted on 20 December 2019. As this action is being taken to conform the regulations to a Congressional legislative mandate, notice and comment rulemaking is unnecessary.

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Thank you.

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