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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 25 to 31 May 2024.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/USA/823/Rev.2	United States	Date of Distribution: 31 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 14 June 2024	Vehicle emissions - Revision	Proposed rule - 250-RICR-120-05-37 specifies the requirements for Rhode Island's Low-Emission and Zero-Emission Vehicle Programs that implement California vehicle emission standards under section 177 of the federal Clean Air Act.
G/TBT/N/Ecuador/54/Add.8	Ecuador	Date of Distribution: 30 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Three-wheeled motor vehicles - Addendum	Ecuador announces the Draft Amendment 1 to the Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 048 2R "Three-wheeled motor vehicles for passenger transport and cargo transport", notified through the document identified with the symbol G/TBT/N/Ecuador/54/Add.7 of March 31, 2017, the period to issue observations is 60 calendar days from its notification.
G/TBT/N/Philippines/265/Rev.1	Philippines	Date of Distribution: 28 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 27 June 2024	Automotive products - Revision	This DAO aims to strictly ensure that the following automotive products manufactured, imported, distributed, or sold in the Philippines meet the specified quality requirements as prescribed by this Technical Regulation: 1.1 Motorcycle Helmets and their Visors; 1.2 Motor Vehicle Brake Fluids; 1.3 Road Vehicle Safety Belts; 1.4 Pneumatic Tires; 1.5 Pneumatic Tubes; 1.6 Lead-Acid Starter Batteries; 1.7 Lithium-Ion Batteries; 1.8 Audible Warning Device; 1.9 Rear View Mirrors; 1.10 Head Restraint; 1.11 Safety Glazing Materials; 1.12 Retroreflecting Devices; 1.13 Filament Lamps; 1.14 Headlamp; and 1.15 Front Position Lamps, Rear Position Lamps, Stop Lamps, Direction Indicator Lamps, and Rear-Registration Plate Illuminating Devices.

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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/US/1969/R/ev.2	United States	Date of Distribution: 28 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 28 August 2024	School transportation vehicles - Revision	Proposed rule amendments - Pertains to regulations governing the reasonable and adequate standards of safety for school buses and school transportation vehicles that promote the welfare of the students and afford reasonable protection to the public.
G/TBT/N/MYS/121	Malaysia	Date of Distribution: 27 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 26 July 2024	Engine oils for motor vehicles	All engine oils for motor vehicles shall go through the certification process established by the competent authority appointed the Minister of Domestic Trade and Living Costs (KPDN) and, shall have the specified marking prior to entering the Malaysian market.
G/TBT/N/US/2113/Corr.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 27 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Electric-powered vehicles - Corrigendum	This document corrects the DATES and ADDRESSES sections to a proposed rule published in the Federal Register on 15 April 2024, regarding Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 305a Electric-Powered Vehicles: Electric Powertrain Integrity. The proposed rule included establishing new reporting and record retention requirements and, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) sought public comment on these new proposed information collections.

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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