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**Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade** 

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, 1. Notifying Member: KINMEN AND MATSU If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2): 2. Agency responsible: The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-4517 Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402 E-mail: cp.tsai@bsmi.gov.tw Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other: 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Laminated veneer lumber (Refer to attachment). 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (2 pages in Chinese, English translation available). 6. **Description of content:** Laminated veneer lumber has been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 January 2007. The current inspection standards CNS 11818 of laminated veneer lumber was promulgated on 18 December 2014, CNS 14646 of structural laminated veneer lumber was promulgated on 20 August 2015. The BSMI will soon adopt the revised CNS 11818 and CNS 14646 standard, which was promulgated on 1 January 2017. Besides, the BSMI will revise the Description of Goods of laminated veneer lumber [see Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and applicable inspection standards1. 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of consumers' safety. 8. Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 11818, CNS 14646. 9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined. Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2017.
  - **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of notification

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# **11.** Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

WTO/TBT Enquiry Point The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-1801 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw

# Proposal for Amendment to Legal Inspection of Laminated veneer lumber

By the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI), Ministry of Economic Affairs

## **Background:**

Laminated veneer lumber has been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 January 2007. The current inspection standards CNS 11818 was promulgated on 18 December 2014, CNS 14646 was promulgated on 20 August 2015. The BSMI will soon adopt the revised CNS 11818 and CNS 14646 standard, which was promulgated on 1 January 2017. Besides, the BSMI will revise the Description of Goods of laminated veneer lumber.

# **Proposed date of implementation:** To be determined **Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and their applicable inspection standards:**

Updated			Superseded			
Description of Goods	Inspection Standards CNS 11818	Reference C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code) 4412.10.11.00	Description of Goods Plywood, veneered panels and	Standards	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code) 4412.10.11.	
Laminated veneer lumber (Inspection scope : Laminated veneer lumber, Structural laminated veneer lumber )	(promulgate d on <u>18</u> <u>December</u> <u>2014</u> ) <u>CNS 14646</u> (promulgate <u>d on 20</u> <u>August</u> <u>2015</u> )	.9.D 4412.10.12.0 0.8.D 4412.94.11.00 .8.D 4412.94.12.0 0.7.D 4412.94.21.0 0.6.D 4412.94.22.0 0.5.D 4412.99.31.0 0.9.D 4412.99.51.0 0.4.D 4412.99.52.0 0.3.D	similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood,containing at least one ply of bamboo and not containing any layer of particle board(inspection	(promulgate d on 2 May 2007) CNS 14646 (promulgate d on 20 October 2006)	4412.10.11. 00.9.D 4412.10.12. 00.8.D 4412.94.11. 00.8.D 4412.94.12. 00.7.D 4412.94.21. 00.6.D	

Updated			Superseded			
Description of Goods	Inspection Standards	Reference C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)	Description of Goods	Inspection Standards	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)	
			Otherprocessedblockboard,laminboardandblockboard,laminboardandbattenboard, with at least oneouterply of non- coniferouswood(inspection scope:Laminatedveneer lumber)Otherplywood, veneered panelsand similar laminated wood, withbothouter plies of coniferouswood, not containing any layer ofparticleboard(inspectionscope:Laminated veneer lumber)OtherunfinishedOtherunfinishedplywood, veneered panelsandsimilarlaminated wood, with at least oneouterply ofnon-coniferouswood(inspection scope:Laminatedveneeredpanelsandsimilarlaminated wood, with at least oneouterply ofnon-coniferouswood(inspection scope:Laminatedwood(inspection scope:Laminated		4412.94.22. 00.5.D 4412.99.31. 00.9.D 4412.99.51. 00.4.D 4412.99.52. 00.3.D	

## **Other:**

Other requirement not mentioned herein shall be handled pursuant to "Directions Governing Type-approved Batch Inspection of Wooden Board Commodities".