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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

1. **Member to Agreement notifying:** <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI)

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Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail 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): Plastic box and fix plate for low voltage A.C. power meter (HS Chapter 90).
- **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).
- **Description of content:** Plastic box and fix plate for low voltage A.C. power meter are manufactured by various kinds of plastic materials and used in the protection of electric instrument from wind blows and rain drops. If the properties of strength, flame—retardant and withstandvoltage of the plastic box and fix plate do not conform to the national standard CNS11908, the case tends to wear out, posing fire hazard to consumers. With a view to ensuring safety of electricity for the livelihood of consumers, the BSMI, after having consulted with interested parties, intends to regulate plastic box and fix plate for low voltage A.C. power meter.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
- **8. Relevant documents:** The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 11908

9. **Proposed date of adoption:** 1 January 2011 **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 March 2011

10. Final date for comments: 30 days from date of notification

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

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