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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

Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, 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 Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1773 Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402 E-mail: <u>shizuka.lai@bsmi.gov.tw</u>

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): Calcium silicate board (Type C) (HS/CCCN 6811.82.00.00.8B), D type of fiber reinforced cement sidings (HS/CCCN 6811.82.00.00.8G), 0.8 and 1.0 regenerated fiber cement boards (HS/CCCN 6811.82.00.00.8F).
- 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: In order to protect the safety of people, BSMI has implemented an inspection regime for fire-retardant building materials since 1995. The inspection items include incombustibility etc. In consideration of the amendment of CNS and the integrity of inspection commodities, BSMI intends to regulate the safety and physical performance of the calcium silicate board (type c), fiber reinforced cement sidings, 0.8 and 1.0 regenerated fiber cement boards.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
- 8. Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 13777, CNS 11699 ACNS 14890
- 9.Proposed date of adoption:
Proposed date of entry into force:To be determined
1 January 2014
- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of notification.

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 Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1801 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: <u>tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw</u>