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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. 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: Occupational Safety and Health Administration Ministry of Labor Floor 11, South Building No.439, Zhongping Rd. Xinzhuang District New Taipei City 242-19, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 8995-6666 Fax: (886-2) 8995-6665 E-mail: erichsieh@osha.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 [], 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): Machinery, equipment and tools for workers 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Occupational Safety and Health Act (21 pages in Chinese, English translation available) and Enforcement Rules of Occupational Safety and Health Act (15 pages, in Chinese) 6. Description of content: An announcement was made on amending the Occupational Safety and Health Act on 3 July 2013 and the Enforcement Rules of Occupational Safety and Health Act on 26 June 2014. The key features of the new amendment are: the name of the law has been amended from the Act Governing Safety and Health for Labors to the Occupational Safety and Health Act; the Ministry of Labor (MOL) is authorized to set up the Management System for the traceability of machinery, equipment and tools for workers; registration requirements for governing the declared machinery, equipment and tools for workers; manufacturers and importers of machinery, equipment and tools for workers are required to declare the safety information in the specified website by MOL. 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Labour protection

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8. Relevant documents:

- Occupational Safety and Health Act;
- Enforcement Rules of Occupational Safety and Health Act;
- Draft Regulations Governing Declaration and Registration for Safety information of the declared products;
- Draft Regulations Governing Operation and Supervision of Type-Certification of Machinery products;
- Draft Regulations Governing declaration and handling of safety evaluation for special Machinery products;
- Draft Regulations Governing Prior Release of Machinery products;
- Draft Regulations Governing the Use of Safety Label and Certification Mark of Machinery Products;
- Draft Regulations Governing Exemption from Type-Certification of Machinery Products; and
- Safety Criteria for Machinery; Equipment and Appliance

9. Proposed date of adoption: 3 July 2013 and 26 June 2014

Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2015

10. Final date for comments: N/A

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address; telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses; if available; of other body:

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