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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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:

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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): Electric storage water heaters (CCCN 8516.10.00.00.9B)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (3 pages in Chinese, English translation available)
- **6. Description of content:** The Electric Storage Tank Water Heaters have been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 February 1972. Based on the original listed inspection standards [CNS 3765 (2005), IEC 60335-2-21 (2004), CNS 13783-1(2004)], the BSMI will add the test terms and methods which are Section 8.11 "Capacity of inner tank" & 8.14 "Standardized standby loss of every 24 hours, $E_{st,24}$ " of the standard CNS 11010 "Electric Storage Tank Water Heaters" (promulgated on 27 December 2013). The "Standardized standby loss of every 24 hours, $E_{st,24}$ " must meet the requirements of Minimum Energy Performance Standard (MEPS) of Electric Storage Tank Water Heaters when those products will be imported or placed on the domestic market after 1 October 2015. The conformity assessment procedure for those products will be under the Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme or Type-Approved Batch Inspection (TABI) Scheme.
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** To promote energy using efficiency of electric appliances to achieve the goal of energy conservation and environmental protection.

8. Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 3765 (2005), IEC 60335-2-21 (2004), CNS 13783-1 (2004), CNS 11010(2013) Section 8.11 & 8.14

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determinedProposed date of entry into force: 1 October 2015

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification

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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