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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 [], 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): Battery chargers for computer, communication and consumer electronics (HS/CCCN 8504.40.20.00.3, 8504.40.91.00.7, 8504.40.94.00.4, 8504.40.99.90.0)
- **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:** The battery chargers for computer, communication and consumer electronics as commodities have been subject to mandatory inspection under Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 May 2014. The original testing requirements for battery chargers for computer, communication and consumer electronics include CNS 14336-1 "Information technology equipment Safety Part 1: General requirements" or CNS 14408 "Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus Safety requirements", and CNS 13438 "Information technology equipment Radio disturbance characteristics Limits and methods of measurement".

Beside the above-mentioned inspection standards(i.e., CNS 14336-1 or CNS 14408 for safety, and CNS 13438 for EMC) intended for battery chargers for general computer, communication and consumer electronics, CNS 3765 "Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Part 1: General requirements", IEC 60335-2-29 "Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Part 2-29: Particular requirements for battery chargers", and CNS 13783-1 "Electromagnetic compatibility – Requirements for household appliances, electric tools and similar apparatus – Part 1: Emission" will be especially adopted as inspection standards for those battery chargers for hand-held motor-operated electric tools under inspection scope of battery chargers for computer, communication and consumer electronics, and this amendment will be effective from the date of publication. The conformity assessment procedure of battery chargers for computer, communication and consumer electronics is the Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme.

- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer protection
- **8. Relevant documents:** The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 14336-1(2010), CNS 14408 (2004), CNS 13438(2006), CNS 3765 (2005), IEC 60335-2-29 (2010), and CNS 13783-1 (2004); G/TBT/N/TPKM/139
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: The date of publication

- **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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