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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:

The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI)

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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): Polyvinyl chloride pipes
- **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:** "Unplasticized polyvinyl chloride for electric conduit use" has been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 January 1972. The current inspection standard CNS 1302 of unplasticized polyvinyl chloride for electric conduit use was promulgated on 7 October 2011. After 1 March 2015, the BSMI will adopt the revised CNS 1302 standard, which was promulgated on 25 February 2014. The revised CNS 1302 excludes ES-2 pipe, which is unable to meet the performance of the flattening resistance. Besides, the BSMI will revise the description of goods of polyvinyl chloride pipes [see Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and their applicable inspection standards].
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:
 Protection of the environment
- **8. Relevant documents:** The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 1302
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** January 2015

Proposed date of entry into force: 1 March 2015

10. Final date for comments: 14 days from the date of notification

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

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