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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: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs No.4, Sec. 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-1904 Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402 E-mail: lucan.chang@bsmi.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 [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): Glulam (Refer to attachment)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (5 pages, in English; 4 pages, in Chinese).
6.	Description of content: Glulam has been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 15 October 2010. The inspection standards CNS 11029 for glulam for decorative use, CNS 11030 for overlaid glulam for decorative use and CNS 11032 for overlaid glulam posts for structural use were promulgated on 9 October 2014, and CNS 11031 for structural glued-laminated timber was promulgated on 18 December 2014. The BSMI intends to adopt the revised standards CNS 11029, CNS 11030, CNS 11031 and CNS 11032 as inspection standards, in order to enhance consumer protection. Besides, the BSMI will revise the Description of Goods of glulam [see Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and applicable inspection standards]
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of consumers safety
8.	Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 11029, CNS 11030, CNS 11031, CNS 11032
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2017

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from 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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