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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

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| 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: Water Resource Agency Ministry of Economic Affairs 12F, No. 41-3, Hsin-Yi Road, Sec 3, Taipei, 106, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 8941-5081 Fax: (886-2) 8941-5027 E-mail: a640090@wra.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): Toilets, washing machines, urinals, faucets, showerheads, etc. Water of natural resources (ICS: 13.060.10) |
| 5. | Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Amendment to Water Supply Act (1 page, in English; 3 pages, in Chinese) |
| 6. | Description of content: The Amendment to Water Supply Act was announced on 4 May 2016. The main changes to the Act are adding Article 95-1 and Article 98-1 to facilitate the use of water efficient equipment. Water equipment, sanitary equipment or other equipment that are designated by the central competent authority and sold by individuals, groups and corporate organizations shall be affixed water-saving labels in order for them to be placed on the market. Failure to affix water-saving labels on designated equipment shall be subject to penalties. Further details concerning the water-saving labels shall be announced by the central competent authority at a later time. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Water conservation and water resource protection |
| 8. | Relevant documents: Water Supply Act; Chinese National Standards |
| 9. | Proposed date of adoption: 4 May 2016 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 July 2017 |
| 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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