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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: Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs No.4 , Sec. 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel: (886-2) 2343-1906 Fax: (886-2) 3343-3991 E-mail: mark.huang@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): 92 items of electrical and electronic products (HS: Chapters 84 & 85 & 90). Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof (HS 84), electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles (HS 85), optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof (HS 90). |
| 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (14 pages, in English; 25 pages, in Chinese). |
| 6. Description of content: In order to encourage industries to reduce the use of restricted chemical substances in electrical and electronic equipment and to control the restricted chemical substances at each stage of the supply chain and life cycle of electrical and electronic equipment, also to promote the awareness of consumers on effective utilization of resources and reduction of environmental burden, the BSMI proposes that manufacturers or importers shall follow the requirements stipulated in Section 5 "Marking of presence" of CNS 15663 (2013.7) and clearly mark "the presence conditions of the restricted substance" (i.e. Marking of presence) on the body, packages, stickers, or the instruction books of 92 items of electrical and electronic products (please refer to the attachment for a detailed list). The conformity assessment procedures remain the same, i.e. Registration of Product Certification (RPC), Type-approved Batch Inspection (TABI) or Declaration of Conformity (DoC). |

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| 7. | Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To enhance the consumer protection and reduce the use of the restricted chemical hazardous substances of electrical and electronic equipment. |
| 8. | Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act: CNS 14336-1(2010.9); CNS 13438 (2006.6); CNS 13783-1 (2004.9); CNS 13439(2004.9); CNS 14408(2004.10); Technical Specification for Digital Terrestrial Television Receivers (2011.8); Section 5 "Marking of presence" of CNS 15663 (2013.7) |
| 9. | Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2018 |
| 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: TPKM-WTO/TBT Enquiry Point Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs No.4, Sec. 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 3343-5191 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbteng@bsmi.gov.tw https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4198_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4198_00_x.pdf |