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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 Ministry of Economic Affairs No.4, Sec. 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel: (886-2) 2343-1844 Fax: (886-2) 3343-3991 E-mail: ajuly.chu@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): Self-ballasted fluorescent lamps (HS: Chapter 85). – Fluorescent, hot cathode (HS: 853931)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (4 pages, in English; 3 pages, in Chinese)
6. Description of content: Self-ballasted fluorescent lamps (hereinafter "the commodities") have been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 March 2001. In order to encourage industries to reduce the use of chemical substances in electric products and, more importantly, to raise consumers' concerns on effective utilization of resources to reduce the environmental burden, the BSMI proposes that the manufactures or importers shall follow the requirements stipulated in Section 5 "Marking of presence" of CNS 15663 and clearly mark "the presence conditions of the restricted substance(s)" on the body, packages, stickers, or the instruction books of the commodities. Those who utilize website as a means to announce "the presence conditions of the restricted substance(s)" of the commodities shall also clearly mark the website address on the body, packages, stickers, or the instruction books of the commodities. In addition, the BSMI intends to revise the Description of Goods of the commodities and adopt the revised standards CNS 14125 and CNS 14115, which were promulgated on 10 June 2014 and 4 March 2009 respectively. The conformity assessment procedures remain the same, i.e. Registration of Product Certification (RPC) or Type Approval Batch Inspection (TABI).

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To enhance the consumer protection from hazards to human health and safety and to reduce the use of chemical substances. Protection of the environment.
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commodity Inspection Act • CNS 14125(2014.6) • CNS 14115 (2009.3) • 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: tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4750_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4750_00_e.pdf