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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.	Member to Agreement notifying: <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: The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1772 Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402 E-mail: ling.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 [], 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): Incombustibility interior building materials (HS Chapters 44, 68)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (15 pages, in Chinese; English translation available)
6.	Description of content: Over the past years, CNS 6532 (Method of test for incombustibility of interior finish material of buildings) has been the only recognized legal testing method for assuring the compliance of the incombustibility of the regulated incombustible interior building materials. The BSMI is planning to recognize CNS 14705, which is primarily based on ISO 5660-1 Rate of heat release from building products (Cone calorimeter test method), as an alternative legal incombustibility testing method starting 1 September 2009. Heat release rate for CNS 14705 is 8MJ/m ² .
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection

8.	Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 6532, CNS 14705
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 1 March 2009 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 September 2009
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from date of notification
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: WTO/TBT Enquiry Point The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1814 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw and can be downloaded here .