NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE), Department of Energy (DOE) [1828]  **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:**  Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: [usatbtep@nist.gov](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov) |
| **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):** Cooking products, test procedures; Quality (ICS 03.120), Test conditions and procedures in general (ICS 19.020), Kitchen equipment (ICS 97.040) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Cooking Products (41 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Notice of proposed rulemaking and announcement of public meeting - The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to establish a test procedure for a category of cooking products, i.e., conventional cooking tops, under a proposed new appendix. The proposed test procedure would adopt the latest version of the relevant  industry standard with modifications to adapt the test method to gas cooking tops, offer an optional method for burden reduction, normalize the energy use of each test cycle, include measurement of standby mode and off mode energy use, update certain test conditions, and provide certain clarifying language. This NOPR also proposes to retitle the existing cooking products test procedure for microwave ovens only. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on the proposal. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** 86 Federal Register (FR) 60974, 4 November 2021; Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 430: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-11-04/html/2021-23330.htm> <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-11-04/pdf/2021-23330.pdf>  This notice of proposed rulemaking and announcement of public meeting is identified by Docket Number EERE-2021-BT-TP-0023. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2021-BT-TP-0023/document> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the [USA TBT Enquiry Point](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov). Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with the regulator and will also be submitted to the [Docket](https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2021-BT-TP-0023/document) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.  [G/TBT/N/USA/1516 and subsequent addenda](http://tbtims.wto.org/en/Notifications/Search?ProductsCoveredHSCodes=&ProductsCoveredICSCodes=&DoSearch=True&ExpandSearchMoreFields=False&NotifyingMember=&DocumentSymbol=G%2FTBT%2FN%2FUSA%2F1516&DistributionDateFrom=&DistributionDateTo=&SearchTerm=&ProductsCovered=&DescriptionOfContent=&CommentPeriod=&FinalDateForCommentsFrom=&FinalDateForCommentsTo=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionFrom=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionTo=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceFrom=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceTo=&ReasonForAddendum=) - Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Cooking Products |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 3 January 2022; DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this proposal no later than 3 January 2022. See section V, "Public Participation," for details. DOE will hold a webinar on Wednesday, 15 December 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST). See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants. If no participants register for the webinar, it will be cancelled. |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [** **]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/USA/21_7028_00_e.pdf> |