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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>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Energy 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: National Enquiry Point.
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): Energy labelling of household washing machines related to the energy consumption.
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Technical Regulation "On energy labelling of household washing machines related to the energy consumption" (14 pages, available in Albanian language).
6. Description of content: This Technical Regulation establishes requirements for the labelling of and the provision of supplementary product information on electric mains-operated household washing machines and electric mains-operated household washing machines that can also be powered by batteries, including those sold for non-household use and built-in household washing machines. This Technical Regulation shall not apply to household combined washer-driers.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The labelling will provide information to assist consumers in evaluating the washing machines for several factors including energy efficiency, water consumption, rated capacity and noise emissions.
8. Relevant documents: Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 1061/2010/EU of 28 September 2010 supplementing the Directive 2010/30/EU of the European Parliament and of Council with regard to energy labelling of household washing machines.
9. Proposed date of adoption: December 2011 Proposed date of entry into force: February 2012
10. Final date for comments: 60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat

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:

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