

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1. Member to Agreement notifying: SWEDEN If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: The Swedish National Energy Administration. Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: The National Board of Trade.
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): The scope of the provisions is the performance of an entire measuring system when in use, not the particular sub-assembly that together with other sub-assemblies makes up a measuring system. Measuring systems consists of meters, power-lines and in some cases transformers. In Chapter 2, section 3 (a) proposed requirements for time switches are being notified. This particular provision concerns a sub-assembly.
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Swedish National Energy Administration Regulations (NUTFS 1999:2) Regarding Measurements, Estimation and Reporting of Transmitted Electricity, 37 pages, Swedish.
6. Description of content: The scope of the provisions is the performance of an entire measuring system when in use, not the particular sub-assembly that together with other sub-assemblies makes up a measuring system. Measuring systems consists of meters, power-lines and in some cases transformers. In Chapter 2, section 3 (a) proposed requirements for time switches are being notified. This particular provision concerns a sub-assembly. The reform of the electricity market that has taken place recently also implies a new method through model estimation for settlement. The method has been adjusted to allow time-of-use tariffs. An additional requirement for the performance of the time switch is therefore necessary.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: When the electricity market was deregulated on 1 January 1996, a new Electricity Act and new regulations referring to measuring systems were entered into force. At that time the provisions were only applicable for a measuring system, installed for the purpose of hourly measurement. This, since a holder of a network concession was obliged to carry out such measurements, when an end user had chosen to buy electricity on the free market from a supplier that did not hold a supply concession. Following the recent reform of the Swedish electricity market, entered into force on 1 November 1999, the system of supply concession

has been derogated. An hourly measurement constitutes no longer a prerequisite for market access. The electricity market is now open for all end users and suppliers under the same competitive conditions. Consequently however, the scope of the provisions in Chapter 2 has been enlarged, and now applies to measuring systems or measuring instruments, put into use by a holder of a network concession in order to carry out measuring on behalf of any other entity.

Pending a Council Decision regarding a new Measuring Instrument Directive, no reference has been made to the obsolete Council Directive 76/891/EEC of 4 November 1976 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electricity meters. The Directive is optional and refers to newly manufactured, so called Ferraris meters. Such meters are no longer in production. The use of electricity meters that complies with the mentioned Council Directive is however allowed under section 4, *Assessment of Conformity*.

8. Relevant documents: The notified regulations are issued by virtue of The Electricity Act (1997:857) and Regulation (1999:716) regarding measurements, estimation and reporting of transmitted electricity.

9. Proposed date of adoption: } As soon as possible
Proposed date of entry into force: }

10. Final date for comments: 11 February 2000

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: