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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MALAYSIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Standards, Malaysia Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: Standards Development Unit, SIRIM Bhd
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): Vitrified clay pipe
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Vitrified Clay Pipes and Fittings and Pipe Joints for Drains and Sewers: Part 1: Requirement (First Revision) (18 pages, in English)
6.	Description of content: This part of draft Malaysian Standard only specifies requirements for flexible joints vitrified clay pipes and fittings with or without sockets for the construction of drainage and sewerage systems. The test methods are referred to in MS 1061: Part 3. Sampling and quality assurance are described in MS 1061: Part 2. It incorporates new testing requirements in addition to those specified in MS 1061: 1986. The new requirements are water tightness test for pipes and joints assemblies, and sealing elements. In addition, this Standard allows provisions to optional tests, which are subject to agreement between purchasers and suppliers. One major change is the use of the Class L (for the lowest strength pipes) and class numbers that relates to crushing strength. Dimension and tolerances for socket controlled and spigot controlled jointing systems are introduced. The preferred dimensions for lengths, curvature of bends and angles of junction arms are specified in the Standard. Other values for these dimensions are acceptable provided the products meet all the relevant performance requirements and are marked correctly. Greater emphasis is given to the jointing materials and joint interchangeability in this part of this Standard. There are also changes to the designations and marking of pipes. This draft Malaysian Standard shall supersede MS 1061: 1986 "Specification for Vitrified Clay Pipes and Fittings with Flexible Mechanical Joints".
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Vitrified clay pipe fittings and pipe joints
8.	Relevant documents:

9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:	}	To be decided
10.	Final date for comments: 31 March 1999		
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: WTO Enquiry Point SIRIM Berhad P.O. Box 7035 40911 Shah Alam Selangor Fax: (603) 556 7114		