

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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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>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Department of Energy (44) 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): HVAC Energy Efficiency
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Energy Efficiency Program for Commercial and Industrial Equipment: Test Procedures and Efficiency Standards for Commercial Warm Air Furnaces; Efficiency Certification, Compliance, and Enforcement Requirements for Commercial Heating, Air Condition and Water Heating Equipment (24 pages, in English)
6. Description of content: The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended establishes energy efficiency standards and test procedures for certain commercial equipment, including commercial warm air furnaces. This document proposes regulations to implement the standards and test procedures for these furnaces and to address other ancillary matters (e.g., compliance certification, prohibited actions, and enforcement procedures) for commercial heating, air conditioning and water heating equipment generally.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To administer the statute's efficiency labeling provisions for commercial equipment.
8. Relevant documents: 64 FR 69598, 13 December 1999; 10 CFR Part 431. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force:
10. Final date for comments: 28 February 2000
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: The text is also available on the Internet at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html