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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 15 June 2016, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

TITLE: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Battery Chargers

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: The Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975, as amended ("EPCA" or in context, "the Act"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including battery chargers. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or, in context, "the Department") to determine whether Federal energy conservation standards for a particular type of product or equipment would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would save a significant amount of energy. On 27 March 2012, DOE published a notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR") to establish energy conservation standards for battery chargers. Responding to stakeholder comments, DOE updated its analysis and revised its proposed approach, resulting in a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking ("SNOPR") published on 1 September 2015. After considering all the stakeholder comments responding to the SNOPR, DOE is adopting the proposed energy conservation standards for battery chargers in this final rule. DOE has determined that these standards will result in the significant conservation of energy and are technologically feasible and economically justified.

DATES: The effective date of this rule is 12 August 2016. Compliance with the adopted standards established for battery chargers in this final rule is required starting on 13 June 2018.

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