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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

### *Addendum*

The following communication, dated 7 December 2014, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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TITLE: Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Conventional Cooking Products

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

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking and corrections

SUMMARY: On 18 January 2013, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) to revise its test procedures for cooking products established under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. The NOPR proposed a change to the test equipment that would allow for measuring the energy efficiency of induction cooking tops and ranges. To address issues raised in comments regarding the NOPR, DOE conducted additional research and analysis. In this supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNOPR), DOE modifies its proposal to change the test equipment to allow for measuring the energy efficiency of induction cooking tops and proposes to add an additional test block size for electric surface units with large diameters (both induction and electric resistance). In addition, DOE proposes methods to test non-circular electric surface units, electric surface units with flexible concentric cooking zones, and full-surface induction cooking tops. In this SNOPR, DOE also proposes amendments to add a larger test block size to test gas surface units with higher input rates. DOE also proposes to incorporate methods for measuring conventional oven volume, to clarify that the existing oven test block must be used to test all ovens regardless of input rate, and to measure the energy consumption and efficiency of conventional ovens equipped with an oven separator. Additionally, DOE is proposing technical corrections to the units of measurement in certain calculations and the annual useful cooking energy output for gas cooktops.

DATES: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this NOPR no later than 2 February 2015. See section V, "Public Participation," for details.

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-12-03/html/2014-28212.htm>

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