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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>
  If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- **2. Agency responsible:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE), Department of Energy (DOE) [1014]

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 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): Residential dehumidifiers. Environmental protection (ICS: 13.020), Domestic electrical appliances in general (ICS: 97.030)
- 5. **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document**: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Dehumidifiers (61 pages, in English)
- 6. Description of content: The Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 (EPCA), as amended, prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including residential dehumidifiers. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to periodically determine whether more-stringent, amended standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would save a significant amount of energy. In this document, DOE proposes amended energy conservation standards for different categories of residential dehumidifiers. This document also announces a public meeting to receive comment on these proposed standards and associated analyses and results.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of the environment
- **8. Relevant documents:** 80 Federal Register (FR) 31645, 3 June 2015; Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 430. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 3 August 2015

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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