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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 18 February 2016, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

TITLE: Energy Conservation Program: Certification and Enforcement-- Import Data Collection; Notice of Public Meeting and Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel, Department of Energy

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and reopening of comment period

SUMMARY: On 29 December 2015, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the Federal Register proposing that a person importing into the United States any covered product or equipment subject to an applicable energy conservation standard provide, prior to importation, a certification of admissibility to the DOE. The comment period ended 12 February 2016. After receiving several requests for additional time to prepare and submit comments, DOE has decided to reopen the period for submitting comments. In addition, DOE announces a public meeting and webinar regarding its proposal. DOE is reopening the comment period until 29 February 2016.

DATES: The comment period for the notice of proposed rulemaking published on 29 December 2015 (80 FR 81199), has been extended. DOE will accept comments, data, and information in response to the NOPR received no later than 29 February 2016. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for meeting dates.

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