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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: JAMAICA

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Standards Jamaica

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): Structural Steel ICS # 77.140.10
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Standard Specification for Structural Steel for Bridges (20 page(s), in English)
- **6. Description of content:** This document specifies provisions for high-strength low-alloy structural steel shapes, plates, and bars for welded, riveted, or bolted construction but intended primarily for use in welded bridges and buildings where savings in weight or added durability are important. This document contains specification for delivery, chemical composition and tensile requirements storage requirements.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Structural steel is considered the ideal choice for constructing buildings by contractors, architects, designers and engineers. It offers benefits for characteristics such as durability, strength and temperature resistance. Building structures must be designed to withstand the weight, loads and environmental pressures that are placed on them and so the safety and durability of buildings and structures must be a vital consideration at all times.
- **8. Relevant documents:** A notice of the *Standard Specification for Structural Steel for Bridges* will appear in The Jamaica Gazette Supplement Proclamations, Rules and Regulations. The document will appear as a Jamaican Standard Specification, with mandatory status, and will be available for sale.

9. Proposed date of adoption: Date of publication in the Jamaica Gazette Supplement - Proclamations, Rules and Regulations.

Proposed date of entry into force: 31 January 2019

- **10. Final date for comments:** 22 September 2018
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

The full text of the proposed technical regulation (mandatory standard) can be directly accessed on the website of the Bureau Standards Jamaica: http://www.bsj.org.jm