NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: **FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS**

2. Agency responsible: Federal Republic of Germany

3. Notified under Article 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 7.3.2, 7.4.1, Other:

4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   Heat meters, hot water meters, heat cost meters, hot water cost meters

5. Title: Amendment to the Regulation Concerning Heating Cost Billing According to Actual Consumption (Heating Costs Regulation)

6. Description of content: The Regulation Concerning Heating Cost Billing According to Actual Consumption was notified (TBT/Notif.81.11 dated 22 January 1981). The amendment introduces a more flexible regulation for the technical requirements in Section 5, paragraph 1 of the Regulation and harmonization with the regulations in apartments under rent control.

7. Objective and rationale: Further reduction of energy consumption for heating and the heating of industrial water through consumer oriented cost billing.

8. Relevant documents: Bundesratsdrucksachen 483/83 and 483/1/83

9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Probably 1 April 1984

10. Final date for comments:

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point or address of other body:
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