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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: JAPAN

2. Agency responsible: Gas Safety Division, Public Utility Department, Agency of Natural Resources and Energy, Ministry of International Trade and Industry

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):
   Gas instantaneous water-heaters, gas-heaters, bath-heaters with gas-burners, gas bath-burners, bath-burner cocks and gas pressure-cookers

5. Title: Amendment to the Enforcement Ordinance of the Gas Utility Industry Law

6. Description of content: With the enforcement of the Bill for Streamlining and Rationalizing Regulations Such As Permission and Licence on Private Activities, which includes the amendment to the Gas Utility Industry Law, six gas equipment and appliances mentioned above, which have been designated as "gas equipment and appliances" by the existing law, shall be designated as "first-class" gas equipment and appliances. The certification procedure for that equipment shall be the same as the existing one.

   No gas equipment and appliances shall be designated as "second-class" gas equipment and appliances on this amendment.

7. Objective and rationale: To ensure safety

8. Relevant documents: The amendment will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.

9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: As soon as possible

10. Final date for comments:

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point \[x\] or address of other body:

86-0330