

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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### NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: Federal Trade Commission (397)
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):  Pool heaters, instantaneous water heaters and heat pump water heaters (HS chapters 8418 and 8516)
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Rules for Using Energy Costs and Consumption Information Used in Labelling and Advertising of Consumer Appliances Under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (6 pages)
6. Description of content: The Commission seeks comment on a proposal to add pool heaters, instantaneous water heaters and heat pump water heaters to the list of products covered by the Commission's appliance labelling rule and to modify certain aspects of that rule.
7. Objective and rationale: Amendments to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act have added pool heaters to the list of covered products for which the Commission must consider labelling requirements and the Department of Energy has recently promulgated test procedures for the two types of water heaters, which triggers an obligation under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act for the Commission to consider labelling requirements for them.
8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 7852, 9 February 1993; 16 CFR Part 305. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10. Final date for comments: 26 April 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: