NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE), Department of Energy (DOE) [1577]  **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:**  Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point Email: [usatbtep@nist.gov](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****X],** **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):** Microwave ovens; - Microwave ovens (HS 851650); Environmental protection (ICS 13.020), Test conditions and procedures in general (ICS 19.020), Kitchen equipment (ICS 97.040) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Microwave Ovens (15 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Notice of proposed rulemaking and announcement of public meeting - The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend the existing test procedure for microwave ovens to provide additional specification for the test conditions related to microwave oven clock displays and microwave ovens with network functions. DOE is also proposing editorial changes to add a section title inadvertently omitted and to revise two incorrect cross-references. As part of this proposal, DOE is announcing a public meeting to collect comments and data on its proposal. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of the environment; Harmonization |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * 84 Federal Register (FR) 61836, 14 November 2019; Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 430: [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-11-14/html/2019-24331.htm>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-11-14/html/2019-24331.htm) [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-11-14/pdf/2019-24331.pdf>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-11-14/pdf/2019-24331.pdf) * [G/TBT/N/USA/425 and subsequent addenda](http://tbtims.wto.org/en/Notifications/Search?ProductsCoveredHSCodes=&ProductsCoveredICSCodes=&DoSearch=True&ExpandSearchMoreFields=False&NotifyingMember=&DocumentSymbol=usa%2F425&DistributionDateFrom=&DistributionDateTo=&SearchTerm=&ProductsCovered=&DescriptionOfContent=&CommentPeriod=&FinalDateForCommentsFrom=&FinalDateForCommentsTo=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionFrom=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionTo=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceFrom=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceTo=) * [G/TBT/N/USA/787 and subsequent addenda](http://tbtims.wto.org/en/Notifications/Search?ProductsCoveredHSCodes=&ProductsCoveredICSCodes=&DoSearch=True&ExpandSearchMoreFields=False&NotifyingMember=&DocumentSymbol=usa%2F787&DistributionDateFrom=&DistributionDateTo=&SearchTerm=&ProductsCovered=&DescriptionOfContent=&CommentPeriod=&FinalDateForCommentsFrom=&FinalDateForCommentsTo=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionFrom=&ProposedDateOfAdoptionTo=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceFrom=&ProposedDateOfEntryIntoForceTo=) * Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Microwave Ovens, Request for information published 18 January 2018: [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2018-01-18/html/2018-00776.htm>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2018-01-18/html/2018-00776.htm) [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2018-01-18/pdf/2018-00776.pdf>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2018-01-18/pdf/2018-00776.pdf) |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 13 January 2020 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [** **]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/USA/19_6556_00_e.pdf> |