

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>SWITZERLAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Federal Office of Energy <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b> State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Effingerstrasse 1, CH 3003 Berne; Tel.: +41 31 322 56 56, Fax: +41 31 322 56 00; E-mail: <a href="mailto:seco@seco.admin.ch">seco@seco.admin.ch</a> .
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ X ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> New passenger cars, class M1, HS: 8703
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Energy Ordinance, Annex 3.6: Declaration of fuel use and CO <sub>2</sub> emissions of new passenger cars (5 pages, German and French).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Introduction of a mandatory energy efficiency label for new passenger cars including a relative comparison of fuel use and CO <sub>2</sub> emission based on the EC directive 1999/94/EC. Requirement of indication of the fuel economy category for each car model.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Environmental protection: improvement of fuel economy and, in recognition of the importance of passenger cars as a source of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, decrease of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions by energy savings in transport sector based on behavioural changes in car buyers choice. The measure increases the demand for more efficient cars and improves the incentive of the car suppliers to provide fuel efficient models.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> Energy Law of 26 June 1998 and Energy Ordinance of 7 December 1999
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> } <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> } 1 July 2002
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 14 May 2002
11.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: