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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.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of the Economy Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers and 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: General Directorate of Standards/Ministry of the Economy (DGN/SE) Enquiry Point.
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 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): Products in general
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-050-SCFI-2003, Commercial Information - General Product Labelling (8 pages, in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: This draft Mexican Official Standard establishes the labelling regulations with regard to the commercial information to be displayed on products of domestic and foreign manufacture for consumption in Mexico and defines the characteristics of such information. This draft Standard applies to all products of domestic and foreign manufacture for consumption in Mexico, with the exception of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Products subject to commercial information provisions in Mexican official standards, specifications or any other existing regulations:(b) bulk products;(c) live animals;(d) books, magazines and journals, fascicles and periodicals in any form, including, but not limited to, magnetic and compact discs, tapes and similar articles, picture/sticker albums, software, phonograms, videograms, audio and video cassettes, <i>inter alia</i>.(e) other products, to be determined by the competent authority within its remit.(f) spare parts acquired through catalogues stating the part number or identification code and intended solely for product service or repair by specialists for the make and model in question.

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: This draft Standard is being published following the five-year review of existing Mexican Official Standard NOM-050-SCFI-1994, "Commercial Information. General Provisions for Products" (published in the Official Journal on 24 January 1996), and establishes the labelling requirements for products of domestic and foreign manufacture marketed in Mexico in order to prevent practices likely to mislead the consumer.
8.	Relevant documents: <i>Diario Oficial de la Federación</i> (Official Journal) of 27 June 2003.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } Not applicable.
10.	Final date for comments: 26 August 2003
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and E-mail and Web site addresses, if available, of other body: Web site: www.economia.gob.mx/?P=85 (Standards catalogue); E-mail: cidgn@economia.gob.mx .