

# 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.

<b>1.</b>	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry <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>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Gas stoves (HS: 7321.81)</li><li>- Oil stoves (HS: 7321.82)</li><li>- Gas cookers (HS: 7321.11)</li><li>- Gas water heaters (HS: 8419.11)</li><li>- Oil water heaters (HS: 8419.19)</li><li>- Water closet heated seats (HS: 8479.89)</li><li>- Automatic beverage-vending machines (HS: 8476.21)</li><li>- Electrical transformers (HS: 8504.21, HS: 8504.22, 8504.33, 8504.34)</li></ul>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Revision to Enforcement Ordinance and Enforcement Regulation for the Law Concerning the Rational Use of Energy and Establishment of Ministerial Ordinance.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Description of content:</b> Based on the Law Concerning the Rational Use of Energy, the products listed in 4 above will be designated as "Designated machinery and equipment", and the methods of measuring of the performance of the products with regard to the amount of the energy consumption defined as numerical values (the energy consumption efficiency), as well as the standard for judgement by the manufacturer or importer will be prescribed.

7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To promote energy conservation through prevalence of machinery and equipment of which the energy consumption efficiency is high, in order to cope with the recent increase of energy consumption in commercial/residential sector, global warning problem, and so on.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> The basic law is The Law Concerning The Rational Use of Energy. This revision will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> July 2002 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> April 2003
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 3 July 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: