

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>HONG KONG</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Electrical and Mechanical Services Department Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above:
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): This is a design code for energy efficiency of air-conditioning (AC) installations covering design parameters, control methods of AC system and minimum efficiency of AC equipment, etc.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: "Code of Practice for Energy Efficiency of Air Conditioning Installations" in draft. The Code, written in English, consists of 52 pages including appendices.
6.	Description of content: The draft AC Code sets out minimum requirements for achieving energy-efficient design of air-conditioning installations in buildings. The Code specifies design parameters, control criteria of AC installations and the minimum equipment efficiency. The control figures are derived from data obtained from surveys conducted in Hong Kong. Reference has also been made to national energy codes of other countries. A public consultation exercise is being conducted to invite relevant parties to comment on technical aspects of the Code and to give opinions on the ways of implementing the Code.
7.	Objective and rationale: The draft AC Code is one of a series of Building Energy Codes that are being developed mainly for building professionals to promote the design of energy-efficient buildings.
8.	Relevant documents: Not applicable.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:  Since ways of implementing the Code (e.g. mandatory, voluntary or other administrative approaches) are still under consideration and the consultation exercise for the Code is in progress, the proposed date of adoption and entry into force is not available in the present stage.

10. Final date for comments: 16 September 1996

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address and telefax number of other body:

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