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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>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Trade Commission (17) 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): Batteries
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Deceptive Use of "Leak- proof," "Guaranteed Leakproof," Etc., as Descriptive Of Dry Cell Batteries (4 pages in English)
6.	Description of content: The Commission announces the commencement of a rulemaking proceeding for the Trade Regulation Rule on Deceptive Use of "Leakproof," "Guaranteed Leakproof, Etc., as Descriptive of Dry Cell Batteries ("the Dry Cell Battery Rule" or "the Rule"), Title 16 Code of Federal Regulations Part 403. The proceeding will address whether or not the Dry Cell Battery Rule should be repealed. The Commission invites interested parties to submit written data, views, and arguments on how the Rule has affected consumers, businesses and others, and on whether there currently is a need for the Rule. This document includes a description of the procedures to be followed, an invitation to submit written comments, a list of questions and issues upon which the Commission particularly desires comments, and instructions for prospective witnesses and other interested persons who desire to participate in the proceeding.
7.	Objective and rationale: Consumer information.
8.	Relevant documents: 62 FR 44098, 19 August 1997; 16 CFR Part 403. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } To be determined.
10.	Final date for comments: 13 September 1997
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: