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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. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry for the Environment, PO Box 10 362, Wellington. Phone: (0064) 4 917 7517; Fax: (0064) 4 917 7521. Email: <a href="mailto:Sherilyn.Hinton@mfe.govt.nz">Sherilyn.Hinton@mfe.govt.nz</a> . Web: <a href="http://www.mfe.govt.nz">www.mfe.govt.nz</a> <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>  Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority, 44 The Terrace, PO Box 388, Wellington Phone: (0064) 4 470 2200; Fax: (0064) 4 499 5330; Email: <a href="mailto:Tony.Frost@eeca.govt.nz">Tony.Frost@eeca.govt.nz</a> Web: <a href="http://www.eeca.govt.nz">www.eeca.govt.nz</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Air conditioners (single phase): (HS 8415)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> The Energy Efficiency (Energy Using Products) Regulations 2002 will be amended to introduce minimum energy performance standards for single phase air conditioners. The test procedures and technical requirements are contained in the relevant Standards and are called up in the regulations. The Regulations can be examined on the Website: <a href="http://www.legislation.govt.nz/browse_vw.asp?content-set=pal_regs">http://www.legislation.govt.nz/browse_vw.asp?content-set=pal_regs</a>  The relevant Standards are as follows (details of standards can be found on the Website: <a href="http://www.energyrating.gov.au">www.energyrating.gov.au</a> ):  AS/NZS 3823.1.1 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Test methods - Non-ducted airconditioners and heat pumps - Testing and rating for performance (46 pages, in English)  AS/NZS 3823.1.2 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Test methods - Ducted airconditioners and air-to-air heat pumps - Testing and rating for performance, (49 pages, in English)

AS/NZS 3823.2 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Energy labelling and minimum energy performance standard (MEPS) requirements, (in English, 49 pages)	
AS/NZS 3823.3 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Calculation of performance for minimum energy performance standard (MEPS) requirements, (21 pages, in English)	
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The proposed regulations specify that minimum energy performance standards (MEPS) for single phase air conditioners come into effect in New Zealand from 1 October 2004. All single phase air conditioners, within the scope of the Standards, manufactured in or imported into New Zealand on or after that date must meet the MEPS requirements set out in the relevant Standard.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Environmental protection and meeting New Zealand's international obligations. The objectives are (1) to contribute to a 20% improvement in national energy efficiency by 2012, as targetted under the 2001 National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy; (2) to reduce national greenhouse gas emissions, as targetted under the Kyoto Protocol; and (3) to align MEPS standards with Australia, within the spirit of the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Arrangement.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> These are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS/NZS 3823.1.1 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Test methods - Non-ducted airconditioners and heat pumps - Testing and rating for performance;</li> <li>AS/NZS 3823.1.2 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Test methods - Ducted airconditioners and air-to-air heat pumps - Testing and rating for performance</li> <li>AS/NZS 3823.2 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Energy labelling and minimum energy performance standard (MEPS) requirements</li> <li>AS/NZS 3823.3 Performance of electrical appliances - Airconditioners and heat pumps - Calculation of performance for minimum energy performance standard (MEPS) requirements.</li> </ul> <p>These standards are available at a charge from the Standards New Zealand web shop at <a href="http://shop.standards.co.nz/index.jsp">http://shop.standards.co.nz/index.jsp</a></p> <p>New Zealand test standards have been aligned with overseas testing procedures in ISO 5151:1994 and ISO 13253:1995.</p>
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>
	} 1 October 2004
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from the circulation date
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: