

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: Department of Energy (49) 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): Consumer products
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedure for Clothes Washers and Reporting Requirements for Clothes Washers, Clothes Dryers and Dishwashers (15 pages)
6.	Description of content: The Department of Energy is issuing a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking to expand the scope of the Department's proposed rule to amend the clothes washer test procedure used to test for compliance with the existing energy conservation standard. The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) recommended an additional new test procedure that would apply to the anticipated future clothes washer energy conservation standards. The Department is reopening the comment period on its proposed rule to seek comments on whether it should adopt the AHAM recommended test procedure, with certain changes.
7.	Objective and rationale: Energy conservation
8.	Relevant documents: 61 FR 17589, 22 April 1996; 10 CFR Part 430 and G/TBT/Notif.95.108. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force:
10.	Final date for comments: 6 June 1996
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: