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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>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of International Trade and Industry
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): Gas instantaneous water heaters (HS: 84.19) Gas stoves (HS: 73.21) Gas bath heaters with gas burners (HS: 73.21) Gas bath burners (HS: 84.16) Gas bath burner cocks (HS: 84.81) Gas pressure cookers (HS: 73.23)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Revision of Cabinet Order of Gas Utility Industry Law of Japan, etc. (available in Japanese, 3 pages)
6.	Description of content: (1) The provisions of the existing technical regulations only applicable to gas equipments and appliances which will be transferred from "First-class Gas Equipments and Appliances" to "Second-class Gas Equipments and Appliances" will be deleted and new technical regulations for such gas equipments and appliances classified in "Second-class Gas Equipments and Appliances" will be established. (2) The provision of the existing technical regulations only applicable to gas equipments and appliances which will be excluded from the above two categories will be deleted.

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7.	Objective and rationale: To review categorization of gas equipments and appliances for streamlining regulations and to make necessary adjustment on technical regulations for such equipments and appliances.
8.	Relevant documents: The basic law is the Gas Utility Industry Law. This ordinance will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Not yet determined.
10.	Final date for comments: 22 March 1996
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: