NOTIFICATION

Revision

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

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE), Department of Energy (DOE)**Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of** **agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X], 2.10.1 [****], 5.6.2 [****], 5.7.1 [****], 3.2 [****], 7.2 [****], other****:**  |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Consumer clothes dryers; Centrifuges, incl. centrifugal dryers (excl. those for isotope separation); filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus, for liquids or gases; parts thereof (excl. artificial kidneys) (HS code(s): 8421); Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Energy efficiency. Energy conservation in general (ICS code(s): 27.015); Laundry appliances (ICS code(s): 97.060) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Clothes Dryers; (16 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Notice of proposed rulemaking - The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("[EPCA](https://www.energy.gov/eere/buildings/determinations-and-coverage-rulemakings)"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including [consumer clothes dryers](https://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/appliance_standards/standards.aspx?productid=50&action=viewlive). In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR"), the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes amended energy conservation standards for consumer clothes dryers identical to those set forth in a [direct final rule](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-12/pdf/2024-04765.pdf) published elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register. If DOE receives adverse comment and determines that such comment may provide a reasonable basis for withdrawal of the direct final rule, DOE will publish a notice of withdrawal rule and will proceed with this proposed rule. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of the environment  |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** 89 Federal Register (FR) 18244, 12 March 2024; [Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 430](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-10/chapter-II/subchapter-D/part-430?toc=1):<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-12/html/2024-04766.htm><https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-12/pdf/2024-04766.pdf>This notice of proposed rulemaking and other actions notified under the symbol [G/TBT/N/USA/1911](https://eping.wto.org/en/Search?domainIds=1&documentSymbol=usa%2F1911) are identified by Docket Number EERE-2014-BT-STD-0058. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2014-BT-STD-0058/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before [4pm](http://time-time.net/times/time-zones/usa-canada/current-eastern-time-est.php) [Eastern Time](https://24timezones.com/time-zone/et) on 1 July 2024. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with DOE and will also be submitted to the [Docket](https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2014-BT-STD-0058/document) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Clothes Dryers; Direct Final Rule published 12 March 2024 will be notified as G/TBT/N/USA/1911/Add.1:<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-12/html/2024-04765.htm><https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-03-12/pdf/2024-04765.pdf> |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined**Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 1 July 2024 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****] or address, telephone or fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/24_02024_00_e.pdf> |