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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

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE), Department of Energy (DOE) [1466] <b>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:</b> Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: <a href="mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov">usatbtep@nist.gov</a>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> General service lamps. Terminology (principles and coordination) (ICS 01.020), Lamps and related equipment (ICS 29.140), Environmental protection (ICS 13.020).
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for General Service Lamps (12 page(s), in English)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> On 19 January 2017, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published two final rules adopting revised definitions of general service lamp (GSL), general service incandescent lamp (GSIL) and other supplemental definitions, effective 1 January 2020. DOE has since determined that the legal basis underlying those revisions misconstrued existing law. As a result, DOE is issuing this notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) proposing to withdraw the definitions established in the 19 January 2017, final rules. DOE proposes to maintain the existing regulatory definitions of GSL and GSIL, which are the same as the statutory definitions of those terms.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>84 Federal Register (FR) 3120, 11 February 2019; Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 430. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.</li><li><a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/874</a> and subsequent addenda - Energy Efficiency Program for Consumer Products: Energy Conservation Standards for General Service Lamps.</li></ul>
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 12 April 2019
11.	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/USA/19_0994_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/USA/19_0994_00_e.pdf</a>