

**REPLY FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION TO THE COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA REGARDING NOTIFICATION**

**G/TBT/N/EU/609**

**DRAFT COMMISSION REGULATION LAYING DOWN ECODESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR  
ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS PURSUANT TO DIRECTIVE 2009/125/EC OF THE EUROPEAN  
PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL, AMENDING COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No  
1275/2008 AND REPEALING COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) 642/2009**

The European Union (EU) would like to thank the authorities of the People's Republic of China for their comments on the draft "Draft Commission Regulation laying down eco-design requirements for electronic displays pursuant to Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008 and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) 642/2009" (G/TBT/N/EU/609), notified to the TBT on 9 October 2018.

The EU would like to point out that only comments received before the deadline, i.e. 8 December 2018, could be considered before the discussion and voting in the Meeting of the Regulatory Committee on electronic displays of 19 December 2018.

The European Commission published the draft implementing measure in the Comitology register for scrutiny. The scrutiny period expired on 8 May 2019 without any objection from the Council or the European Parliament. The Commission is now in the process of adopting the voted Regulation.

The EU would like to provide the following replies to the comments received.

**1. Proposal to exempt OLED technology**

The formula for calculating the energy efficiency index (EEI) in the final voted text includes a "correction factor" for OLED displays that do not apply the auto brightness control (ABC) allowance, until 1 March 2023.

**2. Proposal to change verification tolerances**

The specific issue raised about 5 grams tolerance is not relevant anymore as result of the amendments introduced by Member States before voting (declaration of plastic content/weight of parts not required anymore).

**3. Proposal to postpone material efficiency and information requirements**

The information requirements have been largely simplified in the Regulation as amended and voted on by the Member States. It is estimated that the time available before entry in force of the Regulation, set for March 2021, is sufficient to collect, organize, and make available the limited amount of information that is still required.

**4. Proposal to extend power-off timing and typos**

The 5 seconds limit is the maximum time allowed for completion of the switch to the set values. It is not the time allowed to configure and achieve the switch.

The switch configuration should be initiated sufficiently in advance to 'complete' the switch within the total time period indicated, i.e. 4 hours plus 5 seconds.

Finally, the voted text is now correct in respect to the "clerical errors" that were signaled in China's comments.

The EU would like to thank the Chinese authorities once again for providing comments on the notified draft and hopes that the responses conveyed sufficiently clarify the issues raised.

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