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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. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission 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: European Commission, EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu Website: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/
- 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): Household washing machines and household washer-dryers
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1369 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to energy labelling of household washing machines and household washer-dryers and repealing Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1061/2010 and Commission Directive 96/60/EC (and its accompanying annexes) (19 pages + Annex 38 pages, in English)
- 6. Description of content: This draft Commission Delegated Regulation applies to household washing machines and household washer-dryers to be placed on the EU market and repeals Regulation (EU) No 1061/2010 with regard to energy labelling of household washing machines and respectively Commission Directive 96/60/EC implementing Council Directive 92/75/EEC with regard to energy labelling of household combined washer-driers.

It requires suppliers, before products are placed on the EU market, to upload the label data, the product information sheet and the technical documentation into a product registration database.

The draft Commission Delegated Regulation is based on the findings of a review study and of a long discussion process with stakeholders. A study on the understanding of the label by users was conducted in 2018 as well.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The aim of the draft Regulation is to provide customers with transparent and objective information on the energy efficiency of household washing machines and household washer-dryers, and on additional information to compare these appliances for an informed purchase choice. This will contribute to a market pull towards more environmentally friendly products, with increased energy efficiency, thus contributing to

the clean energy transition and mitigation of climate change.

Moreover, Regulation (EU) 2017/1369 requires for household washing machines and household washer-dryers, which currently have an energy label showing classes from A+++ to D, the introduction of a new, rescaled label showing classes from A to G.

8. Relevant documents: Regulation (EU) 2017/1369 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2017 setting a framework for energy labelling and repealing Directive 2010/30/EU, OJ L 198, 28.7.2017, p. 1-23

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legalcontent/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L .2017.198.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ:L:2017:198:TOC

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1061/2010 of 28 September 2010 supplementing Directive 2010/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to energy labelling of household washing machines

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32010R1061

Commission Directive 96/60/EC of 19 September 1996 implementing Council Directive 92/75/EEC with regard to energy labelling of household combined washer-driers

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/ALL/?uri=CELEX:31996L0060

9. Proposed date of adoption: February 2019

Proposed date of entry into force: 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU. The provisions shall apply from 1 April 2021. However, for the purpose of the obligations laid down in Article 3(1)(a) and (b) this Regulation shall apply from 1 December 2020.

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

European Commission, EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: <u>grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</u>

The text is available on the EU-TBT Website : <u>http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/</u>

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