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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

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## **NOTIFICATION**

## Addendum

The following communication, dated 21 June 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Microwave Ovens

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[X]	Notified measure published - date: 20 June 2023
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 21 August 2023; The effective date of this rule is 21 August 2023. Compliance with the amended standards established for microwave ovens in this final rule is required on and after 22 June 2026.
[X]	Text of final measure available from <sup>1</sup> :
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-06-20/html/2023-12958.htm
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-06-20/pdf/2023-12958.pdf
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/USA/final_measure/23_10446_00_e.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:
	Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from <sup>1</sup> :
	New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from <sup>1</sup> :
[]	Other:

**Description:** TITLE: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Microwave Ovens

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: The <u>Energy Policy and Conservation Act</u>, <u>as amended</u> ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including <u>microwave ovens</u>. EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

to periodically determine whether more stringent standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and whether they would result in significant energy savings. In this final rule, DOE is adopting amended energy conservation standards for microwave ovens. It has determined that the amended energy conservation standards for these products would result in significant conservation of energy and are technologically feasible and economically justified.

DATES: The effective date of this rule is 21 August 2023. Compliance with the amended standards established for microwave ovens in this final rule is required on and after 22 June 2026.

This final rule and previous actions notified under the symbol <u>G/TBT/N/USA/1763</u> are identified by Docket Number EERE-2017-BT-STD-0023. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2017-BT-STD-0023/document">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2017-BT-STD-0023/document</a> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from <a href="Regulations.gov">Regulations.gov</a> by searching the Docket Number.