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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>

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

2. Agency responsible:

Maryland Energy Administration [2176]

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 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [X], 7.2 [X], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Portable electric spas; Air purifiers; Commercial dishwashers; Commercial steam cookers; Faucets; Residential ventilating fans; Showerheads; Spray sprinkler bodies; Urinals; Water closets; Water coolers; Energy efficiency standards; Quality (ICS code(s): 03.120); Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Test conditions and procedures in general (ICS code(s): 19.020); Energy efficiency. Energy conservation in general (ICS code(s): 27.015); Domestic electrical appliances in general (ICS code(s): 97.030); Commercial refrigerating appliances (ICS code(s): 97.130.20)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Maryland [Energy] Efficiency Standards; (6 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** Proposed rule To implement the Maryland Efficiency Standards Act by establishing minimum efficiency standards for certain new products sold or installed in the State and to establish testing, certification, inspection, and enforcement procedures for ensuring compliance with established standards.
- **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; Quality requirements
- 8. Relevant documents:

Maryland Register Volume 51, Issue 17, 23 August 2024:

https://dsd.maryland.gov/MDRIssues/5117/Assembled.aspx

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WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the <u>USA TBT Enquiry Point</u>. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and

their stakeholders by <u>4pm Eastern Time</u> on 23 September 2024 will be shared with the Maryland Energy Administration if received within the comment period.

- <u>G/TBT/N/USA/2090</u>
- Proposed date of adoption: To be determined
 Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
- 10. Final date for comments: 23 September 2024
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/24 05887 00 e.pdf