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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 21 February 2025, 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 Consumer Water Heaters

Reason for Addendum:	
[X]	Comment period changed - date: 13 March 2025
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[]	Notified measure published - date:
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 21 March 2025
[X]	Text of final measure available from ¹ :
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-12-26/html/2024-30369.htm
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-12-26/pdf/2024-30369.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:
	Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from ¹ :
	New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from ¹ :
[X]	Other:
	Final rule; delay of effective date
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_01577_00_e.pdf

Description: This document delays the effective date of a recently published $\underline{\text{final rule}}$ (notified as $\underline{\text{G/TBT/N/USA/508/Rev.1/Add.4}}$) amending the energy conservation standards for gas-fired instantaneous water heaters. The Department of Energy (DOE) also seeks comment on any further delay of the effective date, including the impacts of such delay, as well as comment on the legal, factual, or policy issues raised by the rule.

The effective date of the rule amending 10 CFR part 430 published at <u>89 FR 105188</u> on 26 December 2024, is delayed until 21 March 2025. Written comments and information will be accepted on or before 13 March 2025.

¹ 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.

90 Federal Register (FR) 9951, 20 February 2025; <u>Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part</u> 430:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-02-20/html/2025-02852.htm

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This action and previous actions notified under the symbol <u>G/TBT/N/USA/508/Rev.1</u> are identified by Docket Number EERE-2017-BT-STD-0019. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2017-BT-STD-0019/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit written comments and information to the USA TBT Enquiry Point. Written comments and information received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by 4pm Eastern Time on 13 March 2025 will be shared with DOE if received within the comment period.