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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> · Well 7304, 7305, 7306 · Pumping equipment 8414.80 · Pipeline 7304, 7305, 7306, 7307
<b>5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):</b> Ministerial Order to Provide Technical Standards for CO2 storage facilities; (2 page(s), in English) <b>Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:</b> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/JPN/25_05295_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/JPN/25_05295_00_e.pdf</a> Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: (+81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp">enquiry@mofa.go.jp</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Act on Carbon Dioxide Storage Business, Article 67 (1) stipulates that storage business operators maintain CO2 storage facilities to ensure that they conform to the technical standards established by Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.  Additionally, Article 86 (1) of the same Act states that CO2 pipeline transport operators maintain CO2 pipeline transport facilities in accordance with the technical standards.  We will enact a Ministerial Order to Provide Technical Standards for CO2 Storage Facilities based on the Act on Carbon Dioxide Storage Business to maintain public safety and prevent the occurrence of accidents, with reference to the standards mandated by the Mine Safety Act, the Gas Business Act, and the High-Pressure Gas Safety Act.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Protection of human health or safety

**8. Relevant documents:**

- Ministerial Order to Provide Technical Standards for Structures Used in Mining  
(Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 97 of 2004) (only in Japanese);  
<https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=416M60000400097>
- Ministerial Order to Provide Technical Standards for Gas Facilities  
(Ordinance of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry No. 101 of 2000) (only in Japanese);  
<https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=412M50000400111>
- Regulation on Safety of General High Pressure Gas  
(Ordinance of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry No. 53 of 1966) (only in Japanese);  
<https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=341M50000400053>

**Relevant notifications:**

- [G/TBT/N/JPN/824](#)

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** 21 November 2025**Proposed date of entry into force:** 22 May 2026**10. Provision of comments****Final date for comments:** 13 October 2025**[X] 60 days from notification****Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:**

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