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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 (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu Website: https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Industrial batteries, including residential battery energy storage systems; electric vehicle batteries; batteries for light means of transport (HS code ex 8507)
5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing and amending Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards minimum values for the electrochemical performance and durability of rechargeable industrial batteries, technical and safety parameters, and standards concerning the battery passport; (6 page(s), in English), (12 page(s), in English) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_05198_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_05198_01_e.pdf European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu The text is available on the Website: https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home
6. Description of content: This draft Commission Delegated Regulation sets limit values for industrial batteries for capacity fade, energy round trip efficiency (residential battery energy storage systems only), and expected lifetime in cycles or years. It contains measurement and calculation methods to help determine whether limit values are met and details whether and how various second life batteries should be evaluated with regard to the limit values. In addition, the draft amends certain parts of Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 in view of technical and scientific progress: the standards relevant for QR codes and unique identifiers

<p>for the battery passport and technical parameters concerning performance and durability, safety (stationary battery energy storage systems only) and state of health (stationary battery energy storage systems and batteries for light means of transport).</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Batteries that last longer and display higher performance deliver more energy throughout their useful lifetime. This represents a reduction in their overall environmental impact. Batteries that last longer and perform better are more sustainable. Market competition is currently largely based on price differentiation, without sufficient incentives or rewards for economic operators who produce longer lasting, more performing batteries, with a corresponding lower environmental impact. Therefore, it is necessary to set limit values for the electrochemical performance and durability, as already envisaged under Regulation (EU) 2023/1542, in notification G/TBT/N/EU/775; Protection of the environment.</p> <p>Further, developments in standardisation have resulted in new standards for QR codes and unique identifiers that are of relevance to the battery passport. It has also led to technical and scientific progress on certain technical and safety parameters referred to in Regulation (EU) 2023/1542.; Protection of the environment</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 July 2023 concerning batteries and waste batteries, amending Directive 2008/98/EC and Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 and repealing Directive 2006/66/EC</p> <p>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A32023R1542</p>
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: December 2026</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU (The provisions as regards minimum values for the electrochemical performance and durability of rechargeable industrial batteries shall apply from 18 months after the date of entry into force of the delegated act)</p>
<p>10. Provision of comments</p> <p>Final date for comments: 4 December 2026</p> <p>[X] 60 days from notification</p> <p>Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:</p> <p>European Commission, EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</p>