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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 August 2025, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations, 22-AAER-04

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[X]	Notified measure adopted - date: 12 August 2025
[]	Notified measure published - date:
[]	Notified measure enters into force - date:
[]	Text of final measure available from ¹ :
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified: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 from1:
[X]	Other:
	Administrative Updates for the Title 20 Appliance Efficiency Regulations (Section 100 Rulemaking)
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05690_00_e.pdf
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05690_01_e.pdf
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05690_02_e.pdf

Description: The California Energy Commission (CEC) is proposing to make non-substantive changes to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations, <u>California Code of Regulations (CCR)</u>, <u>Title 20</u>, <u>Division 2</u>, <u>Chapter 4</u>, <u>Article 4</u>, Sections <u>1604</u> and <u>1605.1</u>. None of the changes materially alters any requirement, right, responsibility, condition, prescription, or other regulatory element of any CCR provision.

These changes are non-substantive due to federal preemption. The Federal Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 (EPCA), as amended, preempts any state regulation concerning the energy use or energy efficiency of products with existing federal standards (see, e.g., 42 U.S.C. 6297(c)).

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.

Each of the products updated by this action are products for which federal standards exist. In order to ensure continuity and reduce potential market confusion, the proposed changes are meant to ensure the standards in the California Code of Regulations accurately reflect the applicable requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Appliance Efficiency Proceedings - Title 20: https://www.energy.ca.gov/rules-and-regulations/appliance-efficiency-regulations-title-20/appliance-efficiency-proceedings

Docket Log: https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-AAER-04

California Notice Register No. 34-Z, 22 August 2025, page 1074:

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