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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>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) <b>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:</b> Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Global Affairs Canada Technical Barriers and Regulations Division 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2 Canada Telephone: (343) 203-4273 Fax: (613) 943-0346 Email: <a href="mailto:enquirypoint@international.gc.ca">enquirypoint@international.gc.ca</a>
<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 or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Energy efficiency standards for residential, commercial and industrial products: Air compressors HS code 8414.80 ; Faucets HS code 8481.80 ; Line Voltage thermostats HS code 9032.10 ; Pool pumps HS code 8413.70 ; Showerheads HS code 8424.90 ; Room air conditioners HS code 8415.10; Large air conditioners HS code 8415.90 ; Single package central air conditioners HS code 8415.90 ; Split system central air conditioners HS code 8415.90; Portable air conditioners HS code 8415.82; Large heat pumps HS code 8418.61; Single package central heat pumps HS code 8418.61; Split system central heat pumps HS code 8418.61; Gas furnaces HS code 7321.81; Electric water heaters HS code 8516.10; Gas-fired storage water heaters HS code 8419.19; Oil-fired water heaters HS code 8419.19; Gas-fired instantaneous water heaters HS code 8419.11; General service lamps HS codes 8539.10, 8539.22, 8539.29, 8539.21, 8539.31, 8539.32, 8539.39, 8539.41, 8539.49, 8539.50, 8539.90.
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Regulations Amending the Energy Efficiency Regulations, 2016 (Amendment 18) (146 pages, available in English and French); (146 page(s), in English), (146 page(s), in French)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The <i>Energy Efficiency Regulations, 2016</i> (the Regulations) prescribe energy efficiency standards for residential, commercial and industrial energy-using products. They also prescribe labelling requirements for certain products to disclose and compare the energy use of a given product model relative to others in their category.

The Regulations are amended regularly to introduce or update energy efficiency and testing standards.

This proposed Amendment would add or update energy efficiency and testing standards for several newly and currently regulated energy-using products to harmonize with the United States. Also, this Amendment would expand the use of ambulatory incorporation by reference (to U.S. standards or NRCAN technical standards documents), as well as position NRCAN to exercise Ministerial Regulations for more energy-using products to adjust quickly to changes and maintain harmonization in the future, where appropriate. Furthermore, the Amendment would include transitional provisions for specific products during which regulated parties would have the opportunity, on a voluntary basis, to comply more quickly with the new requirements (voluntary early compliance). Finally, the Amendment would introduce more stringent energy efficiency standards than in the United States for some products to assist with achieving net-zero by 2050.

**7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** The goals of the Amendment are to:

- Reduce energy consumption and resulting GHG emissions associated with products used in homes, businesses, institutions, and industries thereby contributing to Canada's commitment to reach net-zero emissions by 2050, reducing the load on the electricity system, helping Canadian consumers save on their energy bills and helping businesses, institutions, and industries to experience cost savings that can lead to increased productivity and competitiveness.
- Reduce or prevent unnecessary regulatory differences within Canada and with the U.S. energy efficiency and testing standards to limit compliance burden and support cross-border trade.
- Ensure that NRCAN is positioned to respond quickly to changes and updates enabling continued harmonization with trading partners.

**8. Relevant documents:**

*Canada Gazette*, Part I, June 22nd, 2024, Pages 1918 – 2063:  
<https://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2024/2024-06-22/pdf/g1-15825.pdf> (Available in English and French)

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** Normally within 12 months of publication in the Canada Gazette, Part I.

**Proposed date of entry into force:** These Regulations would come into force six months after the day on which they are published in the Canada Gazette, Part II.

**10. Final date for comments:** 31 August 2024

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at:  
<https://canadagazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2024/2024-06-22/html/reg1-eng.html> (English)  
<https://canadagazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2024/2024-06-22/html/reg1-fra.html> (Français)  
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