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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 13 June 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Trade Regulation Rule Relating to Power Output Claims for Amplifiers Utilized in Home Entertainment Products

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[X]	Notified measure published - date: 12 June 2024
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 12 August 2024
[X]	Text of final measure available from ¹ :
	89 Federal Register (FR) 49797, Title 16 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 432:
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-06-12/html/2024-12744.htm
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-06-12/pdf/2024-12744.pdf
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/final_measure/24_03750_00 _e.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[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified: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 :
[]	Other:

Description: The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") issues final amendments to its Trade Regulation Rule Relating to Power Output Claims for Amplifiers Utilized in Home Entertainment Products ("Amplifier Rule" or "Rule"). The amendments require sellers making power-related claims to calculate power output using uniform testing methods to allow consumers to easily compare amplifier sound quality; prescribe disclosure language that improves differentiation between power output claims that comply with the Rule's testing methods and those that do not; and modernize as well as clarify Rule language considering the foregoing modifications. Additionally,

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.

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the amendments formalize prior Commission guidance on applying the Rule to multichannel amplifiers.

This Rule is effective on 12 August 2024.

Title 16 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 432

This final rule and previous actions notified under the symbol <u>G/TBT/N/USA/1679</u> are identified by Docket Numbers FTC-2020-0087 and FTC-2022-0048. The Docket Folders are available at <u>https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FTC-2022-0048/document</u> and <u>https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FTC-2022-0048/document</u> and provide access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from <u>Regulations.gov</u> by searching the Docket Numbers (individually).