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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. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BRAZIL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: National Institute of Metrology, Standardisation and Industrial Quality-INMETRO Telephone: +(55) 21 2563.2821 Telefax: +(55) 21 2502.6542 Email: pontofocal.tbt.omc@inmetro.gov.br Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Multiphase and monophase electronic energy meters (HS: 9028.30)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Act number 1, January 8 th , 2002 (Portaria no. 1 de 8 de janeiro de 2002), issued by Inmetro, on the pattern approval procedures for multiphase and monophase electronic energy meters (1 page, in Portuguese).
6. Description of content: Technical Regulation which lays down pattern approval procedures for multiphase and monophase electronic energy meters. It determines that: (a) Until a specific technical regulation is made public, all new multiphase and monophase electronic energy meters, either imported or produced in Brazil, must comply to the following Brazilian Standards: NBR/ASTM 14519/2000 – Electronic energy meters (Static) – Requirements (Medidores eletrônicos de energia elétrica – Especificação) and NBR/ASTM 14520/2000 – Electronic energy meters (Static) – Testing methods (Medidores eletrônicos de energia elétrica (estáticos) – Métodos de Ensaio). (b) The use of previously approved monophase electronic energy meters will be allowed until the date of entry into force of the present technical regulation, provided their measurement errors do not exceed the limits established by the present technical regulation and above mentioned Brazilian Standards.

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Pattern approval procedures and consumer's safety.
8.	Relevant documents: Ministerial Act number 1, January 8 th , 2002; (Portaria no. 1 de 8 de janeiro de 2002) ; NBR/ASTM 14519/2000; NBR/ASTM 14520/2000.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 12 January 2002 Proposed date of entry into force: 12 January 2002
10.	Final date for comments: Not stated
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: http://www.inmetro.gov.br/articulacoes/pontofocal/buscaNotificacao.asp