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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.

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| 1. | Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Energy Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers and 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: General Directorate of Standards/Ministry of the Economy (DGN/SE) Enquiry Point. |
| 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): Non-portable liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) containers subject to pressure and intended for use in storage facilities |
| 5. | Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-012/2-SEDG-2001, Non-Portable Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Containers Subject to Pressure, Not Exposed to Heating by Artificial Means and Intended for Use in Storage Facilities, LPG Filling Stations and LPG Installations. Manufacture (8 pages, in Spanish). |
| 6. | Description of content: This draft Mexican Official Standard establishes the minimum specifications and test methods for the manufacture of non-portable liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) containers subject to pressure, not exposed to heating by artificial means and intended for use in storage facilities for LPG distribution and supply, LPG filling stations and end-user LPG installations, with a nominal capacity of between 5,001 and 378,500 litres of water (type A), as well as the corresponding conformity assessment procedure. It also provides for the contents and characteristics of the labels that must be displayed on such containers for marketing purposes. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Update the existing Mexican Official Standard and establish minimum technical safety specifications and test methods to ensure that non-portable liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) containers intended for use in storage facilities, LPG filling stations and LPG installations do not constitute a risk to human safety or health or to the environment. |
| 8. | Relevant documents: <i>Diario Oficial de la Federación</i> (Official Journal) of 2 April 2003. |

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| 9. | Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: | } 60 days after publication in the Official Journal. Mexican Official Standard NOM-012/2-SCFI-1993 will be withdrawn upon the entry into force of this Standard. |
| 10. | Final date for comments: 1 June 2003 | |
| 11. | Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and E-mail and Web site addresses, if available, of other body: Web site: www.economia.gob.mx/?P=85 (Standards catalogue). E-mail: cidgn@economia.gob.mx | |