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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>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Energy Business (DOEB), Ministry of Energy 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: Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Tel.: (66 2) 2023512, Fax: (66 2) 2478734, e-mail: thaistan@tisi.go.th, stdinfo@tisi.go.th, web site address: www.tisi.go.th
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): Diesel oil (HS Chapter 27 10. 003, ICS: 75.160.01 Fuels in general)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Notification of the Department of Energy Business on Characteristic and Quality of Diesel Oil B.E. 2546 (2003) (3 pages, available in Thai language)
6.	Description of content: This notification replaces the notification of the Department of Commercial Registration on Characteristic and Quality of Diesel Oil B.E. 2545(2002) dated 13 September B.E. 2545(2002) which is withdrawn. This notification classifies diesel oil into two types, i.e. high-speed engines and low-speed engines, and specifies characteristics and quality of diesel oil (e.g. specific gravity, cetane number or calculated cetane index, viscosity, pour point, sulphur content, corrosion, carbon residue, water and sediment, ash content, flash point, distillation, colour, lubricity by HFRR and additives (if any). In cases where the characteristics or quality of some diesel oil are different from those specified, the diesel oil traders must notify the differences to and get approval from the Director General of the Department of Energy Business. This notification does not affect the approval issued prior to the enforcement of this notification.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
8.	Relevant documents: Publication in which notification is published when adopted: - Government Gazette, Vol. 120, Special Part ngor., dated 19 August 2003

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9.	Proposed date of adoption: 7 August 2003 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2004
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the circulation date
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: