

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Korean National Institute of Technology and Quality (KNITQ) Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can 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): Electrical appliances and materials
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Technical Criteria for Electrical Appliances and Materials
6.	Description of content: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Testing procedures for ball-pressure application and horizontal burning are devised and implemented to test the plastics which are used as exterior materials for electric appliances.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The level of testing standards is equivalent to those of IEC335, IEC707, UL746A, UL94 and Japanese technical standards.- Insulating Materials Registration System is introduced to ensure the effectiveness of the testing.- Implementation date: 1998. 1. 1.(ball-pressure application test).○ Amendment to testing method to measure the leakage current of electronic ballast for fluorescent lamp and accelerated test of practical usage.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Testing temperature: 85°C →80°C

7.	Objective and rationale: Safety and consumer protection
8.	Relevant documents: Electrical Appliance Safety Control Act Announcement will appear in the Official Gazette published by the Korean Government.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } 10 March 1997
10.	Final date for comments: 28 February 1997
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address and telefax number of other body: General Merchandise Safety Division Department of Quality and Safety Korean National Institute of Technology and Quality (KNITQ) Tel: 82-343-84-1565 Fax: 82-343-84-4387