

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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## NOTIFICATION

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

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| 1.  | <b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>BRAZIL</u><br><b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>   |
| 2.  | <b>Agency responsible:</b><br>National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality-INMETRO<br><br>Telephone: + (55) 21 2563.2824<br>Telefax: + (55) 21 2502.6542<br>Email: barreirastecnicas@inmetro.gov.br<br>Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas<br><b>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:</b> |
| 3.  | <b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>  |
| 4.  | <b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Natural gas system components for automotive applications (HS:87.08)  |
| 5.  | <b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Act number 257, December 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2002 (Portaria número 257 de 30 de dezembro de 2002), issued by Inmetro, on the mandatory conformity assessment procedures of natural gas system components for automotive applications. (10 pages, in Portuguese).  |
| 6.  | <b>Description of content:</b> This Technical Regulation lays down the mandatory conformity assessment procedures of the natural gas system components for automotive applications.<br><br>It further states that the above mentioned system components both produced in Brazil and imported must comply to the requirements of this Technical Regulation from July 1 <sup>st</sup> 2003.  |
| 7.  | <b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Conformity assessment procedures and consumer's safety.  |
| 8.  | <b>Relevant documents:</b> Ministerial Act number 170, August 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2002 (Portaria número 170 de 28 de agosto de 2002); Brazilian Standard NBR ISO 9001:2000.   |
| 9.  | <b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> }<br><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> } 6 January 2003  |
| 10. | <b>Final date for comments:</b> Not stated   |
| 11. | <b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:<br><a href="http://www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas">http://www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas</a>   |