

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>SAINT LUCIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Saint Lucia Bureau of Standards 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): Christmas Tree lights and other decorative lighting outfits
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: SLNS 51:2002, Christmas Tree and Decorative Lighting Outfits, (55 pages, in English)
6.	Description of content: This standard is identical in content with underwriters Laboratory, UL 588 – Christmas Tree and Decorative Lighting Outfits. These requirements cover factory-assembled strings with push-in, midget-base, or miniature based lamp-holders connected in series for across-the-line use; or with candelabra-, or intermediate-base lamp-holders connected in parallel (multiple) for direct-connection use. These requirements also cover seasonal decorative outfits such as wreaths, stars, crosses, candle sets, artificial trees, tree stands, and commercial motorized decorative displays. All illuminated assemblies are for the use with replaceable screw base or push-in filament-type lamps and are provided with a means for attachment to an electrical outlet. These requirements cover Christmas tree and decorative-lighting outfits to be used in accordance with the Saint Lucia Electricity Supply Act. of 1994, in particular clause 22, section 1.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety standards for Christmas tree and decorative lighting outfits are of major concern to users in Saint Lucia. This standard has therefore been prepared to provide guidance and information to manufacturers, importers, users and consumer –oriented organizations and other interested parties, so as to ensure minimum acceptable levels of reliability, performance and safety of Christmas tree and decorative lighting outfits.

8.	<p>Relevant documents: This standard is identical in content with underwriters Laboratory, UL 588 – Christmas Tree and Decorative Lighting Outfits.</p> <p><i>A Notice will be published in the Saint Lucia Gazette once this standard is officially adopted as a mandatory standard. The relevant Statutory Instrument will also be gazetted.</i></p>
9.	<p>Proposed date of adoption: On a date to be determined by the Minister with responsibility for standards matters in Saint Lucia.</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: On a date to be determined by the Minister with responsibility for standards matters in Saint Lucia.</p>
10.	<p>Final date for comments: 23 October 2004</p>
11.	<p>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:</p> <p>E-mail: slbs@candw.lc Website: www.slbs.org.lc</p>