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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. Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (DOC) [1451] Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other: [X]
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Wood-based structural-use panels; Builders' joinery and carpentry of wood, including cellular wood panels, assembled parquet panels, shingles and shakes. (HS 4418). Wood-based panels (ICS 79.060).
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Voluntary Product Standard 2-10, Performance Standard for Wood-Based Structural-Use Panels (2 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is soliciting public comment on a proposed revision to Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 2-10, Performance Standard for Wood-Based Structural-Use Panels. The standard, prepared by the Standing Committee for PS 2, establishes requirements for those who choose to adhere to the standard, for the structural criteria to assess the acceptability of wood-based structural-use panels for construction sheathing and single- floor applications. It also provides a basis for common understanding among the producers, distributors, and the users of these products. Interested parties are invited to review the proposed standard and submit comments to NIST.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Quality requirements
8. Relevant documents: 83 Federal Register (FR) 55852, 8 November 2018.
9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
10. Final date for comments: 10 December 2018
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/USA/18_5839_00_e.pdf