



NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<p>1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</p>
<p>2. Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [1456] 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</p>
<p>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:</p>
<p>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Residential wood heaters, hydronic heaters and forced-air furnaces; Air quality (ICS 13.040), Domestic, commercial and industrial heating appliances (ICS 97.100), Test conditions and procedures in general (ICS 19.020).</p>
<p>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters, New Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces (9 page(s), in English)</p>
<p>6. Description of content: In this action, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is soliciting comment on several aspects of the 2015 Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters, New Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces (2015 NSPS) in order to inform future rulemaking to improve these standards and related test methods. This action does not propose any changes to the 2015 NSPS, but does take comment on a number of aspects of the rule, including the compliance date for the Step 2 emission limits, Step 2 emission limits for forced- air furnaces, hydronic heaters and wood heaters, Step 2 emission limits based on weighted averages versus individual burn rates, transitioning to cord wood certification test methods, compliance audit testing, third-party review, electronic reporting tool, and warranty requirements.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of the environment</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 83 Federal Register (FR) 61585, 30 November 2018; Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 60. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined</p>

10. Final date for comments: 13 February 2019

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_6341_00_e.pdf