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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF KOREA

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: National Radio Research Agency (RRA)

> 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:

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- 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): EMC (Electromagnetic Compatibility) Regulation
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft amendment of Technical Regulation for Electromagnetic Compatibility (26 page(s), in Korean)
- 6. Description of content: In order to support the safety on electromagnetic waves and the sales promotion for electric bicycles, the electromagnetic compatibility criteria for electric bicycle is newly established. It will replace the current applying criteria, the household appliance criteria, for electric bicycle.

In order to prepare for the expansion of the frequency allocation used on wireless facilities such as mobile communication, the frequency range of electromagnetic immunity test for the radio, residential or industrial environment equipment is expanded to 6 GHz by adopting international standards.

In order to protect broadcasting and wireless communication services from the electromagnetic disturbance below 30 MHz generated by arc welding equipment and to protect the arc welding equipment from the influence of gigahertz signals of the mobile communication, the electromagnetic compatibility criteria for arc welding equipment is amended to add the discontinuous disturbance and current ripple criterion and to expand the immunity test frequency up to 2.7 GHz by adopting international standards.

By adopting the amendment of international standards, the induction cooker is classified as the household appliance, and the induction cooker criterion specified in the criteria of the industrial, scientific and medical equipment is moved to the criteria of the household appliances and electric tools.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Harmonization

8. Relevant documents:

- RRA Public Notice No. 2017-37 (24 August 2017)
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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