NOTIFICATION

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

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ECUADOR  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  *Servicio Ecuatoriano de Normalización*, INEN (Ecuadorian Standardization Service)  Calle Baquerizo Moreno E8-29 y Diego de Almagro  Tel.: (+593-2) 3825960 to 90  Website: <http://www.normalizacion.gob.ec/>  **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:**  *Subsecretaría de Calidad* (Under-Secretariat for Quality)  *Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca*, MPCEIP (Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries)  Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo  Tel.: (+593-2) 3948760, Ext. 2254 - 2272  Email:  [puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec)  [puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com)  [aramon@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:aramon@produccion.gob.ec)  [cyepez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:cyepez@produccion.gob.ec)  [jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec)  Website: <http://www.industrias.gob.ec/> |
| **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):** 850811 - Of a power not exceeding 1,500 W and having a dust bag or other receptacle capacity not exceeding 20 l; 850819 - Other; 850860 - Other vacuum cleaners. |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** *Proyecto de Primera Revisión del Reglamento Técnico Ecuatoriano PRTE INEN 197 (1R) "Aspiradoras"* (Draft first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 197: "Vacuum cleaners") (9 pages, in Spanish) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by vacuum cleaners, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing misleading practices.  It applies to the following products:   * Electric vacuum cleaners for household use * Electric water-suction cleaning appliances for household use * Electric vacuum cleaners for animal care   It does not apply to:   * Vacuum cleaners for household use, water-suction cleaning appliances for household use, and vacuum cleaners for animal care that are not powered by electricity. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  Normative references:   1. IEC 60335-2-2:2009+AMD1:2012+AMD2:2016, Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Part 2-2: Particular requirements for vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances. 2. ISO 2859-1:1999+AMD1:2011, Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes - Part 1: Sampling schemes indexed by acceptance quality limit (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection. 3. ISO/IEC 17025:2017, General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories. 4. ISO/IEC 17050-1:2004, Conformity assessment - Supplier's declaration of conformity - Part 1: General requirements. 5. ISO/IEC 17067:2013, Conformity assessment -Fundamentals of product certification and guidelines for product certification schemes.   Notification history:   1. G/TBT/N/ECU/227 2. G/TBT/N/ECU/227/Add.1 3. G/TBT/N/ECU/227/Add.2 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 60 days from notification or thereafter  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 180 days from the date of adoption |
| **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:**  Contact and/or National Enquiry Point:  Subsecretaría de Calidad  Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca (MPCEIP)  Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo  Tel.: (+593-2) 3948760, Ext. 2254 - 2272  Email:  [puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec)  [puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com)  [aramon@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:aramon@produccion.gob.ec)  [cyepez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:cyepez@produccion.gob.ec)  [jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/ECU/19_3119_00_s.pdf> |