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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: VIET NAM If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Directorate for Standards, Metrology and Quality Ministry of Science and Technology Tel.: +84 4 38361467 Fax: +84 4 38361771 Email: info@vsqi.gov.vn Website: http://www.vsqi.gov.vn/ 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:
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [X], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other: for more transparency
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Gasoline (ICS: 75)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Circular No.14/2012/TT-BKHCN issued on 12 July 2012 by the Minister of Science and Technology amending the Article 1 of Circular No. 20/2009/TT-BKHCN of 30 September 2009 promulgating QCVN 1:2009/BKHCN "National technical regulations on gasoline, diesel fuel and biofuels" (2 pages, available in Vietnamese).
6. Description of content: Unleaded gasoline is determined to be consistent with QCVN 1:2009 / BKHCN when: 1. They meet the requirements specified in paragraph 2.1.2 of Article 2.1 of Section 2 QCVN 1:2009/ BKHCN, and 2. They shall be tested for ketones, methanol and water with testing result shown as below: a) Ketones, not detected, by the test method specified in TCVN 7332 (ASTM D 4815); b) Methanol, not detected, by the test method specified in TCVN 7332 (ASTM D 4815); c) Water, not detected, by the test methods specified in TCVN 7759 (ASTM D 4176) based on categories of the opacity".

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and protection of consumers' interest.
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Circular No. 20/2009/TT-BKHCN September 30, 2009 of the Ministry of Science and Technology, promulgating QCVN 1:2009/ BKHCN "National technical regulations on gasoline, diesel fuel and biofuels"; - TCVN 7332 (ASTM D 4815) <i>Standard Test Method for Determination of MTBE, ETBE, TAME, DIPE, tertiary-Amyl Alcohol and C1 to C4 Alcohols in Gasoline by Gas Chromatography</i>; - TCVN 7759 (ASTM D 4176) <i>Distillate fuels - Determination of free water and particulate contamination (Visual inspection procedures)</i>.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: The circular was issued on 12 July 2012 Proposed date of entry into force: 26 September 2012
10.	Final date for comments: -
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: TBT Viet Nam National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point (TBT Viet Nam Office) 8 Hoang Quoc Viet Road Cau Giay District, Hanoi Vietnam Tel.: +(84-4) 37911599/ 37912145 Fax: + (84-4) 37913441 Email: tbtvn@tbtvn.org Website: http://www.tbtvn.org/ The full text of the relevant documents may be downloaded here: - the Circular No.14/2012/TT-BKHCN http://www.tbtvn.org/Ti%20liu%20upload%20cho%20QCKT/5.doc - QCVN 1:2009 / BKHCN http://www.tbtvn.org/Ti%20liu%20upload%20cho%20QCKT/3.pdf