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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: <u>URUGUAY</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: <i>Asesoría de Política Comercial (Trade Policy Advisory Office)</i> <i>Ministerio de Economía y Finanzas (Ministry of Economy and Finance)</i> Paraguay 1401 - 2º Piso Tel. (+598) 1712 - Ext. 4315/4319 Email: apc.otc@mef.gub.uy Montevideo 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: <i>Dirección Nacional de Industrias (National Directorate of Industry)</i> <i>Ministerio de Industria, Energía y Minería (Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining)</i> Mercedes 1041 - 1º Piso Tel. (+598) 2840 1234 - Ext. 2103/2135 Email: consultas.publicas@miem.gub.uy Montevideo
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: <i>Proyecto de Reglamento Técnico MERCOSUR sobre Vehículos a Hidrógeno y Celdas de Combustible (Draft MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles) (4 pages, in Spanish)</i>
6. Description of content: The notified draft seeks to establish a MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles, to be applied to locally manufactured or imported vehicles circulating in MERCOSUR member States, with a view to ensuring the safety of their compressed hydrogen storage systems and the specific components of these systems, and to improve road safety. The draft builds on UNECE Regulation No. 134 - Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicles and their components with regard to the safety-related performance of hydrogen-fuelled vehicles, annexed to the 1958 WP.29 Agreement.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:
9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined; the provisions contained in the draft Regulation are expected to be mandatory for all vehicles manufactured or imported two years after the date set as the deadline for the transposition of the Regulation into the legal systems of MERCOSUR member States.
10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: The text of the Regulation is attached to this notification. https://plataformaparticipacionciudadana.gub.uy/processes https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/URY/24_02621_00_s.pdf