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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>BRAZIL</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Tecnology - Inmetro  Telephone: +(55) 21 2563.2840 Telefax: +(55) 21 2563.5637 Email: barreirastecnicas@inmetro.gov.br Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas  <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Washing Machines (HS 8450).
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Act: N° 466, 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2012 (51 pages in Portuguese).
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Draft technical regulation which establishes technical requirements that must be met by electric washing machines for household and similar use, with a focus on security and energy efficiency aiming the prevention of risks.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Consumer security and information; environment protection.
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> (1) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União) N° 179, 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2012, section 1, page 99; (2) Not Applicable; (3) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União); (4) IEC 60335-2-7 Particular requirements for washing machines; IEC 60335-2-11 Particular requirements for tumble dryes; IEC 60.335-2-4 – Part 2-4:Particular requirements for spin extractors; IEC 60456 Clothes washing machines for household use – Methods for measuring the performance; IEC 62301 Measurement of standby power.
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> Upon publication in the Official Journal after received comments have been taken into.  <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined in the final text.
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2012.

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:**

The full text of the proposed technical regulation can be directly accessed through the links:

<http://www.inmetro.gov.br/legislacao/rtac/pdf/RTAC001905.pdf>