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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: EGYPT
	If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible:
	Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt E-mail: eos @idsc.net.eg/ <u>eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</u> Website: <u>http://www.eos.org.eg</u> Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504
	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 [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): Other wood-based panels (ICS 79.060.99)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document</b> : The Ministerial Decree No. 174/2020 (2 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8350-3 for "Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)- Bonding quality - Part 3: specification" (9 page(s), in Arabic)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Ministerial Decree No. 174/2020 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard.
	This standard specifies the requirements for Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL) for general purposes and structural applications, in dry, tropical-dry/humid or high humidity/exterior conditions. Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL) is a general description for an assembly of veneers laminated with an adhesive, in which the grain direction of the outer veneers and most other veneers is in the longitudinal direction.
	Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with ISO 18776/2008 Amd.1:2013 (confirmed in 2018).
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety, consumer protection and quality requirements
8.	Relevant documents:
	• the Ministerial Decree No. 174/2020 (2 pages, in Arabic)
	<ul> <li>ISO 18776/2008 Amd.1:2013 (confirmed in 2018)</li> </ul>

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9. Proposed date of adoption: 10 March 2020

Proposed date of entry into force: 10 April 2020

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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