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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>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo – Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg 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 [], 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): Sanitary installations (ICS code(s): 91.140.70)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 7296 " Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Particular requirements for toilet appliances".; (66 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 gives producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 7296 which deals with the safety of electric toilet appliances having a rated voltage being not more than 250 V, in which excrement is stored, dried or destructed or which wash or dry parts of the human body. Examples of such electric toilets are the following and they can be used to process garbage such as paper and food waste. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mouldering toilets;- Package toilets;- Freezing toilets;- Vacuum toilets. <p>This standard also applies to electric equipment for use with conventional toilets.</p> <p>Examples of such electric equipment are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Automatic seat covering devices;- Hopping units;

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heated seats; - Pumping units; - Water heaters for spray seats; - Spray seats. <p>As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances that are encountered by all persons in and around the home. However, in general, it does not take into account young children playing with the appliance.</p> <p>Attention is drawn to the fact that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For appliances intended to be used in vehicles or on board ships or aircraft, additional requirements can be necessary; - In many countries, additional requirements are specified by the national health authorities, the national authorities responsible for the protection of labour, the national water supply authorities and similar authorities. <p>Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of IEC 60335-2-84:2019</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety requirements; Quality requirements</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 • IEC 60335-2-84:2019
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: 18 December 2023</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 5 January 2024</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification</p>
<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo- Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504</p>