VIETNAM'S EEE REGULATORY REGIME

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Former Vietnam's Regulatory Regime Decision 50/2006/QD-TTg

- List of Regulated EEE
- List of EEE Regulatory Authorities
- List of designated technical bodies (testing labs only) for regulated EEE quality control
- EEE quality control procedures in accordance with 1091/1999/QD-BKHCN on import-export product quality control procedures
- No provisions on conformity mark
- No provisions on registration

Legal basis for new EEE regulatory regime

- Law on Standards and Technical Regulations (effective from 1/1/2007)
- Decree 127/2007/ND-CP
 (effective from September 2007)
- Law on Products and Goods Quality (effective from 1/7/2008)
- Decree 132/2008/ND-CP (effective from February 2009)
- Circulars under Decrees: 01/2009/TT-BKHCN; 08/2009/TT-BKHCN; 09/2009/TT-BKHCN.

ASEAN references for new EEE regulatory regime

- ASEAN Sectoral Mutual Recognition Arrangement for EEE (ASEAN EE MRA)
- Agreement on the ASEAN Harmonized EEE Regulatory Regime
- Frequently-Asked Questions (FAQs) on the ASEAN EE MRA
- ASEAN EE MRA Information Booklet

Changes in Vietnam's EEE Regulatory Regime Final Draft QCVN 4: 2009/BKHCN

- Name: National Technical Regulation on safety for EEE
- Listed CABs:
 - Both testing labs (ISO 17025) & certification bodies (ISO Guide 65)
- Provisions on CABs designation procedures (Circular 08 and 09/2009/TT-BKHCN)

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- Provisions on conformity assessment procedures
 (Circular 24/2007/TT-BKHCN)
- Provision on Conformity Mark (Circular 24/TT-BKHCN)
- Provisions on registration & declaration (Circular 24/2007/TT-BKHCN)

APEC EE Part II and/or Part III Participation

- No impediments to participate in Part II and/or Part III of the APEC EE
 - I) Completed internationally harmonized legal framework
 - II) Listed CABs under ASEAN EE MRA:
 - EEE testing labs: QUATEST1, QUATEST3
 - EEE certification body: QUACERT
 - II) NAB: BoA Signatory of ILAC, APLAC and PAC

Experience dealing with EEE transacted over internet

- At a very initial steps
- Website of STAMEQ, Vietnam TBT Office and MOST
 - List of relevant EEE legislative documents
 - List of EEE designated testing and CBs
- In near future: Online registration

Legal framework

- Prime Minister's Directive 31/1999/CT-TTg of Oct.27/1999 on the combat against fake goods production and trading
- Join Circular 10/2000/TTLT-BTM-BTC-BCA-BKHCNMT of Apr.2000 guiding the implementation of the Directive 31

Violation in property

- Decree 106/2006/ND-CP of Sep.22/2006 providing for sanctioning of administrative violations in the domain of industrial property

Violation in quality

- Decree 126/2005/ND-CP of Oct.10/2006 on sanctioning of administrative violations in the domain of metrology and goods & product quality
- Decree 95/2007/ND-CP of Jun.06/2007 on amendment & supplement of Decree 126/2005/ND-CP
- Final Draft Revised Decree to be replaced the two above Decrees

Responsible Organizations:

- Steering Committee 127 (central & local) against smuggling, fake goods and trade fraud
- Ministry of Public Security (MPS)
- Ministry of Finance (MOF)
- Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST)
- Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development
- Ministry of Health (MOH)
- Ministry of Culture, Sport and Tourism
- Ministry of Information and Telecommunication

- Manufactures: Have counter-measures for their products and timely inform of any violations detected to relevant regulatory authorities: product insurance, counterfeit label...
- Consumers: purchase goods and products of clear origin
- Regulators: Completion of legal framework
 - Strengthening surveillance measures
 - Assistance to manufactures

Thank you for attention!

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