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*Review on new version of  
Administrative Measures for Energy Efficiency Labeling  
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China new version of *Administrative Measures for Energy Efficiency Labeling* called for comments in August 2015.

Comparing the draft new version and old version, there are several differences found as follows:

- The object range of energy efficiency labeling system is expanded. The old version stipulates that a unified energy efficiency labeling system will be enforced by the state for those energy products with great energy saving potential and a wide range of application. In the new version, it stipulates that a unified energy efficiency labeling system will be enforced by the state for all energy products, that is to say, all products need to comply with the energy efficiency labeling system, not only the original refrigerators, washing machines and other products with a wide range of usage.
- Network products are increased and the scope of supervision is expanded. The fourth provision in the first chapter of the new version stipulates that in network commodity trading, the corresponding energy efficiency logo should be displayed in an eye-catching place on the product information home page. It explicitly formulates in the new version that network products operators shall establish and implement the system of examination and acceptance of goods, for those included in the "Catalogue of products adopting energy efficiency label in People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the "Catalogue " ), energy efficiency label shall be verified, products that should be marked, but are not marked with energy efficiency shall be forbidden from selling and energy efficiency label shall not be forged or used falsely. The third party trading platform operators should establish an energy efficiency labeling inspection system for products sold via the platform and listed in Catalogue and any violation of provisions should be curbed in time.
- Basic contents of energy efficiency labeling are added. The basic content of energy efficiency labeling in the old version includes: producer name or abbreviation; product specification and model; energy efficiency grade; energy consumption; national standard number of energy efficiency, while in the new version, energy efficiency information code is added. Consumers only need to scan a two-dimensional code, and then all information, except for energy efficiency grade, can be accessible, including product name, product model, filing number, the record time, annual consumption of electricity, and even the daily consumption of electricity and other information.
- Support has been given to products that are leaders in energy efficiency (thereafter as Top Runners). It is added in the new version that the label of Top Runners can be printed directly on products listed in the national products catalogue.
- Special checks and supervision and inspection departments are specified. The new version clearly stipulates that special checks, supervision and inspections of energy efficiency labeling for products listed in Catalogue shall be carried out by AQSIQ in accordance with laws. Special checks, supervision and inspection of energy efficiency labeling for products



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listed in Catalogue shall be regularly carried out by local product quality supervision departments within its scope of responsibility and make the result open to the public together with local energy conservation management department.

- Fines have increased and punishment has been intensified. The old version Measures stipulate that enterprises in violation of Measures, a fine below 10000 CNY shall be imposed in serious cases by local quality inspection departments, while the new version has increased the minimum fine to more than 10000 CNY and less than 30000 CNY; in serious cases, a fine higher than 50000 CNY and lower than 100000 or more than one time and less than five times of illegal income shall be imposed.
- Punishment measures for counterfeiting energy efficiency labeling are added. The new measure provides if the third party inspection agencies or the enterprise's own testing department forge test results or produce false energy efficiency testing report in the tasting of energy efficiency, punishment shall be imposed by local quality supervision departments at all levels and the authorized agency shall not adopt its testing results within a year.

### **Introduction of SESEC Project**

The Seconded European Standardization Expert in China (SESEC) is a visibility project co-financed by the European Commission (EC), the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) secretariat and the three European Standardization Organizations (CEN, CENELEC and ETSI).



Since 2006, there has been two SESEC projects in China, SESEC I (2006-2009) and SESEC II (2009-2012). In Dec 2014, SESEC III was officially launched in Beijing, China. Dr. Betty XU was nominated as the SESEC expert and will spend the next 36 months on promoting EU-China standardization information exchange and EU-China standardization cooperation.

The SESEC project supports the strategic objectives of the European Union, EFTA and the European Standardization Organizations (ESOs). The purpose of SESEC project is to

- Promote European and international standards in China;
- Improve contacts with different levels of the Chinese administration, industry and standardization bodies;
- Improve the visibility and understanding of the European Standardization System (ESS) in China;
- Gather regulatory and standardization intelligence.