

To DGSM Notified Bodies,

**Subject: Announcement on DGSM Enforcement Phases for New Scope of Energy Efficiency (EE) Labeling Program**

In our continuous endeavor to fortify product safety and to uphold the economic integrity within the Omani market, we are committed to implementing strategies that primarily benefit our consumers while simultaneously fostering economic stability. It is with this vital mission in mind that we, at DGSM, announce the enforcement phases of our newly expanded Energy Efficiency (EE) Labeling Program.

This strategic initiative is a cornerstone in our efforts to augment product safety and is aligned with our overarching objectives of ensuring the seamless integration of safe products into the market. It also echoes our dedication to consumer protection and the minimization of any potential economic disruptions.

Further to DGSM communication regarding the enforcement phases published on Gulf Committee Platform on 5<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 for the new scope of products included in the DGSM Energy Efficiency (EE) labeling program:

- Electrical Clothes Washing Machines (OS 1651:2022)
- Water Heaters (OS 1652:2022)
- Refrigerators, Refrigerator-Freezers and Freezers (OS 1653:2022)

We are pleased to share with you DGSM Enforcement Phases in details: -

Phases	Phase (1)*	Phase (2)*	Phase (3)
Dates	8 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	8 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 onward
Conformity Assessment Level	Comprehensive CA Based on DGSM CAPs Guidance	Comprehensive CA Based on DGSM CAPs Guidance	Comprehensive CA Based on DGSM CAPs Guidance
Registration Evidence	Manual* Through Designated NBs Based on DGSM Template	Automatic Through Hazm Platform	Automatic Through Hazm Platform
EE Label Issuance	NO ISSUANCE* (With declaration from manufacturer for affixing the EE label once it is made available by NB – within the Manufacturer Obligations and Declaration)	Automatic Through Hazm Platform	Automatic Through Hazm Platform
EE Labeling	Not required*	Strongly recommended once receive the EE Label from NB	Mandatory
Registration Validity	2 Years	2 Years	2 Years
Registration Fees*	SAR 600/Label/Year (By force the registration will be done for 2 years interval) Total fees: SAR 1200	SAR 600/Label/Year (By force the registration will be done for 2 years interval) Total fees: SAR 1200	SAR 600/Label/Year (By force the registration will be done for 2 years interval) Total fees: SAR 1200

\* Upon Hazm Platform development.

### Important Notes:

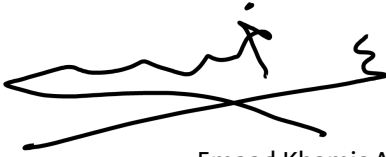
Notified Bodies (NBs) responsibilities once Hazm platform is upgraded for phase 1 registered product categories:

- Upload information of registered products and process the fees payment through the Hazm platform within 4 weeks after platform is upgraded.
- Circulate platform outcomes (registration letter, EE labels) to manufacturers with proper instructions.

### Manufacturer Responsibilities

- The manufacturer takes responsibility to affix the registered Energy Efficiency label generated by Hazm platform to the products being manufactured, imported, and sold in Oman once receiving the deliverables from the Notified Body.
- For registered products during Phase 1 & Phase 2:
  - › Adhere EE label generated by Hazm platform on product(s) and packaging, according to the requirements of applicable OS standard, or in cooperation with local traders in Oman if a consignment of the product(s) arrived during Phase 1 & Phase 2.
- For registered products during Phase 3:
  - › Adhere EE label on product(s) and packaging according to the requirements of applicable OS standard.

We encourage DGSM Notified Bodies to familiarize themselves with the detailed procedures and requirements outlined in the DGSM CAPs and to keep updated on the forum circulations.



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