Proposal for Legal Inspection Requirements of Hot Rolled Steel H-Beams

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Introduction:

With a view to ensuring the safety of steels used in public construction, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) intends to regulate the inspection requirements for hot rolled steel H-beams. The conformity assessment procedure for all such products will be Registration of Product Certification.

Proposed date of implementation:

1 July 2019

Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and their applicable inspection standards:

Description of Goods	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits being the same as HS Code) (for Reference)	Inspection Standards	Conformity Assessment Procedures
Hot rolled steel H-beams (inspection scope: the height exceeding 80mm)	7216.33.00.10-5 7216.33.00.20-3 7216.33.00.30-1 7216.99.90.00-9	CNS 2473(2014) CNS 2947(2014) CNS 13812(2014) CNS 4269(2014) CNS 5083(2014) CNS 4620(2014)	RPC Scheme (Modules II+VII)

The conformity assessment procedures for the inspection scheme are as follows: Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme (Modules II + VII)

Under the II+ VII combination of modules used in this scheme, domestic manufacturers or importers must have their products type-tested in advance (Module II) by the BSMI-recognized testing laboratories before applying for registration of their products. Manufacturers or importers will also be required to ensure by factory inspection (Module VII, factory inspection) that all products made at their manufacturing facilities or imported are in conformity with the prototypes submitted for type-test at Module II stage. For Module VII, a factory inspection report issued by the BSMI-recognized factory inspection bodies is needed.

After being certified and registered by the BSMI, products will be allowed to use the Commodity Inspection Mark with the letter 'R' and the identification number given by the BSMI. These products can clear customs directly without any further inspection if not being sampled by RPC border check procedures. The application fee and annual fee for RPC are both NT\$5,000 for each certification, and the RPC certification is valid for 3 years. If there are any serial products, an extra NT\$3,000 of application fee will be charged for every application in each certification. The fees for type testing vary by products and depend on the fee policies of the testing laboratories.

*Further information on the two schemes can also be found on the BSMI web site: http://www.bsmi.gov.tw/wSite/ct?xItem=8673&ctNode=811&mp=2

Locations to apply for Registration of Product Certification:

The BSMI, its branches

Locations to apply for Type Testing:

The BSMI-designated testing laboratories

Locations to apply for factory inspection:

The BSMI- recognized factory inspection bodies

Time required for Registration of Product Certification:

14 working days. (This period does not include the time for corrective actions by the applicant due to deficiencies in the documents or samples. Extra 14 working days may be required for additional tests.)

Related requirements for the inspection procedures:

- 1. Either imported domestic manufactured commodities subject to this proposal shall conform to inspection requirements when this proposal enters into force on 1 July 2019. The applicable conformity assessment scheme is the Registration of Product Certification (RPC).
- 2. Upon the data of publication of this proposal, the BSMI will accept applications for registration of product. After the applications have been reviewed and approved by the BSMI, when the BSMI completes the review procedure and approves the application, the product registration certificate(s) will be issued and valid for 3 years starting from the issue date.
- 3. "C02" is the import regulation code of the commodities subjected to this proposal.
- 4. Inspection fees of the listed products will be collected based on the "Regulations Governing Fees for Commodity Inspection."
- 5. Type-test fees and factory inspection fees of the products will be collected by the testing facilities in accordance with their respective rates.
- 6. The inspection standards of the products listed in the table shall be the version published in this announcement. If any updated version is available, the BSMI shall publish the implementation date of the updated version in further announcement.
- 7. The C.C.C. Codes listed in the table are used for reference only. The commodities whose product name listed in the table shall still complete the inspection procedures before entering into the market even though their C.C.C. Code is identified differently by the Customs Administration, Ministry of Finance or Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs.