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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: UGANDA
  - If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Uganda National Bureau of Standards

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 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Personal climbing equipment.
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DUS 1817: 2017, Standard Specifications for Personal Climbing Equipment. (53 page(s), in English)
- 6. Description of content: This draft standard covers the specifications and qualification testing of Climbers, Climber straps, Climber Pads, Climber Footplates, Body Belts, Work Positioning Devices with Locking Snaphooks/Carabiners, Wood Pole Fall Restriction Devices (WPFRD), Arborist Saddle, Harnesses, and Energy Absorbing Lanyards. These devices are used by workers in the climbing of poles, trees, towers, and other structures. Minimum performance criteria for arc resistance of harnesses and energy absorbing lanyards are included for workers who may be exposed to thermal hazards of momentary electric arcs or flame.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements

## 8. Relevant documents:

- 1. CAN/CSA 015 Wood utility poles and reinforcing stubs
- 2. ASTM F1891
- 3. ASTM F1958/F1958M
- 4. ASTM F1959/F1959M
- 5. ANSI 05.1 Wood Poles Specification and Dimensions
- 6. Z359.14-2014 Safety Requirements for Self-Retracting Devices for Personal Fall Arrest and Rescue Systems
- 7. Z359.0-2012 Definitions and Nomenclature Used for Fall Protection and Fall Arrest

- 8. Z359.3-2007 Safety Requirements for Positioning and Travel Restraint Systems
- 9. Z359.11-2014 Safety Requirements for Full Body Harnesses
- 10. Z359.12-2009 Connecting Components for Personal Fall Arrest Systems
- 11. Z359.13-2013 Personal Energy Absorbers and Energy Absorbing Lanyards

## 9. Proposed date of adoption: December 2017

**Proposed date of entry into force:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives

- **10.** Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
- **11.** Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: