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NOTICE TO MANUFACTURERS, IMPORTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF STEEL HOLLOW SECTIONS

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The Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) along with other responsibilities, is responsible for preparing standards and overseeing their implementation in the country in accordance with the Standards Act Cap. 130, Rules and Standards to protect health, safety and facilitate business.

TBS would like to remind and emphasize to all producers of steel hollow sections with square, rectangular and round shapes to ensure that they produce, distribute and sell products that meet all quality criteria in accordance with the standard.

The parameters of steel pipes are specified in the National Standard for those products, namely "TZS 1685/EAS 134, *Cold rolled steel section — Specification*". One of the basic requirements according to the said standard requires steel pipes to meet the following criteria: Have a length of at least six metres (6 m), a thickness of at least one millimetre (1 mm) and a pipe with basic information written on it (marking).

TBS through its systems continues to monitor the quality of steel pipes and other products in factories and in the market and take appropriate action in accordance with the Law for all those who are found to produce, sell and distribute products that do not meet the requirements of the standards.

Likewise, TBS requires all buyers and users of these products to inform TBS when they doubt the length and thickness of steel pipes or when they find that no information has been marked on the products. Information should be provided by visiting the nearest TBS offices or by calling toll-free on 0800110827.

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