

# Regulatory Alert – Vietnam

## Public Consultation on Draft Circular to Replace Circular 30/2011/TT-BTTTT

On 16<sup>th</sup> October, the Vietnamese Regulator - *Ministry of Information and Communications (MIC)* - opened a public consultation on draft Circular to replace Circular 30/2011/TT-BTTTT - Regulations on Conformity Certification and Declaration of Conformity.

Key changes in this draft Circular include:

- Foreign manufacturer can directly apply for Type Approval certificates of their products in their name
- 3 methods of sample provision were introduced, including:
  - 1) Standard sample submission for local testing (for products which were manufactured from the manufacturer chain accredited by ISO 9001)
  - 2) Sample collection through factory's inspection (for products which were manufactured from the manufacturer chain not accredited by ISO 9001)
  - 3) Sample collection from each import batch (applying to products not applicable to above options)

*Note: the sample provision options are not new for Vietnam, but they were not included in the existing Circular 30. How these 3 options will work in practise remains under consideration and further details are expected to follow.*

- Validity of Type Approval certificates can now be extended to 3 years (except for the certification based on sample collection from each import batch, which will be valid for each batch of product).

It is understood that the draft Circular is still arguable and can be changed before the official publication.

Any interested parties can submit comments or suggestions to MIC [here](#) before the deadline of 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

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The official publication of this draft Circular is available on MIC website [here](#). The text is in Vietnamese language only.

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