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Notice Concerning the Computer Pre-Installation of Green Internet Filter Software

To Relevant Agencies/Companies:

In order to build a green, healthy, and harmonious network environment and to avoid unhealthy information on the Internet from influencing and hurting the youth, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT), the Central Civilization Office, and the Ministry of Finance (MOF), in accordance to the relevant requirements of P.R.C Government Procurement Law, have applied central finance funds to purchase the rights for one year usage and related services of the "*Green Dam – Escort of the Youth Flowers*" green Internet filter software (hereafter referred as "Green Dam" software) to provide free usage to all of society. Through general testing and pilot project application, this software product has proven to be able to effectively filter unhealthy text and image content on the internet, thus this software already possess the conditions necessary to be pre-installed by computer manufacturers.

In order to build upon the progress made during the implementation of the "Special Campaign to Restore the Internet from a State of Vulgarity," persist in a combination of "punish and prevent", realistically protect the healthy upbringing of underage youth, and push forward in the healthy and orderly development of the Internet, in accordance with the general nation-wide deployment of the "Special Campaign to Restore the Internet from a State of Vulgarity", MIIT hereby notifies the specific requirements for the computer pre-installation of green Internet filtering software as follows:

1. All computers produced and sold within Chinese territory shall pre-install the latest adaptable version of the "Green Dam" software; imported computers shall pre-install the "Green Dam" the latest adaptable version of the "Green Dam" software before they are sold in China.

2. "Green Dam" software shall be pre-installed in the computer' hard disk or the DVD included in the package. It shall be installed in the restore partition and restore disk of the computer as the backup file.

3. "Green Dam" software shall adopt active measures to support the computer manufacturing companies' pre-installation related work.

4. Computer manufacturing companies shall complete relevant testing work for pre-installing "Green Dam" software before the end of 2009. Computers manufactured or sold after July 1, 2009 shall be pre-installed with "Green

Dam" software.

5. Computer manufacturers and "Green Dam" software providers shall report to the Software Service Department of MIIT the previous month's computer sales volume at monthly basis within 2009. Since 2010, the annual sales data of the preceding year shall be reported no later than the end of February.

For those who do not pre-install after the stated deadline, those who submit delayed or falsified report, or those who refuses to report, MIIT will order them take due make-up or correction measures.

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