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### NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website ([www.epingalert.org](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 18 to 24 March 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/NT/PKM/487/Add.1</a>	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 24 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Mixtures containing perfluorocarbons (PFCs) or hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), but not containing chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) or hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) - Addendum	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that the "Climate Change Response Act" was promulgated and came into effect on 15 February 2023.
<a href="#">G/TBT/NU/SA/1564/Add.1</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Polychlorinated Dibenzo-p-Dioxins and Polychlorinated Dibenzofurans - Addendum	This action finalizes editorial and technical revisions to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Method 23 (Determination of Polychlorinated Dibenzo-p-Dioxins, Polychlorinated Dibenzofurans, and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons from Stationary Sources). Final revisions include incorporating true, comprehensive, and stable isotope dilution for quantifying target compounds using corresponding carbon-13 labeled compounds for each target compound

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				including most of the polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) and changing the method quality control from the current prescriptive format to a more flexible performance-based approach with specified performance criteria.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/US/1850/A</a> <a href="#">dd.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 March 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 17 April 2023	Chrysotile asbestos - Addendum	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of and soliciting public comment on additional data received by EPA related to the proposed rule for Part 1: Chrysotile Asbestos; Regulations of Certain Conditions of Use under TSCA. These additional data pertain to chrysotile asbestos diaphragms used in the chlor-alkali industry and chrysotile asbestos containing sheet gaskets used in chemical production and may be used by EPA in the development of the final rule, including EPA's determination of what constitutes "as soon as practicable" with regard to the proposed chrysotile asbestos prohibition compliance dates for these uses.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at [BPS@dti.gov.ph](mailto:BPS@dti.gov.ph) copy [bps.smd@dti.gov.ph](mailto:bps.smd@dti.gov.ph).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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