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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) from 04 to 10 February 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the four (4) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/CHL /621	Chile	Date of Distribution: 08 February 2023  Deadline for Comments: 08 April 2023	Pesticides	The notified measure considers prohibiting active substances of pesticides that are listed in Annex III of the Rotterdam Convention for having undesirable effects on the health of people, animals and effects on the environment and, in addition, an active substance of the Stockholm Convention that has been incorporated in Annex A.
G/TBT/N/EGY /340	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 06 February 2023  Deadline for Comments: 06 April 2023	Absolute alcohol	This draft of Egyptian standard specifies the technical requirements for absolute alcohol, used as a raw material, as well as the methods of sampling and testing, which are also used as a reagent and solvent in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries and for the production of energy alcohol and for this purpose it is partially or completely converted.
G/TBT/N/IRL/ 4	Ireland	Date of Distribution: 6 February 2023  Deadline for Comments: 6 May 2023	Labels of alcohol products	The Public Health (Alcohol) Bill was notified to the WTO Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade in 2016. Section 12 of that Bill contained the obligation to provide health information and health warnings on the

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G/TBT/N/UKR /222/Rev.1/Ad	Ukraine	Date of Distribution:	Hazardous chemicals -	labels of alcohol products and in other settings. The Public Health (Alcohol) Bill was subsequently enacted in 2018. Draft Regulations under Section 12 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Act 2018 are currently being notified to the TBT Committee of the WTO. These draft regulations provide the detail in relation to the health warnings and health information. The draft regulations do not contain the requirement for such warnings as this is contained in section 12 and this was enacted in 2018.  Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Resolution of the
<u>d.1</u>		09 February 2023	Addendum	Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of January 31, 2023
				No 86 "On Approval of the
		Deadline for		List of Hazardous
		Comments:		Substances Prohibited for
		Not Indicated		Use in Ukraine". The Resolution will enter into
				force on October 1, 2023.

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 <a href="mailto:BPS@dti.gov.ph">BPS@dti.gov.ph</a> copy <a href="mailto:bps.smd@dti.gov.ph">bps.smd@dti.gov.ph</a>.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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