

19 October 2023

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 07 to 13 October 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the eleven (11) notified draft technical regulations from six (6) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/A/US/164	Australia	Date of Distribution: 13 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: 11 December 2023	Persistent organic pollutants	The Industrial Chemicals Environmental Management Standard (IChEMS) has been developed by all Australian governments to efficiently and effectively manage the risks of industrial chemicals to the environment, while providing consistent requirements for businesses across Australia. The IChEMS Register records standards for the environmental management of chemicals, including risk management measures for specific industrial uses. In turn, the Australian federal government and each state and territory government will enact legislation to implement the standards in their jurisdictions.
G/TBT/N/EGY/113/Add.1	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Labelling of detergents and cleaning products - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the draft of Egyptian Standard ES 6910 "Labelling of Detergents and Cleaning Products" (35 pages, in Arabic) It should be noted that the Ministerial Decree No. 692/2015(3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/113 dated 7 December 2015 mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.

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G/TBT/N/E GY/368	Egypt	<p>Date of Distribution: 13 October 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 11 December 2023</p>	Hazardous materials	<p>This draft Standard specifies requirements and stipulations for preparing specific hazard labels/signs.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this draft standard is technically identical with 49 CFR 172 subpart E Labelling (2019) "Transportation – subpart E Labelling"</p>
G/TBT/N/I ND/297/Co rr.1	India	<p>Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Anhydrous ammonia - Corrigendum	<p>The locally manufactured or imported Anhydrous ammonia shall conform to the Indian Standard IS 662 : 2020 and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of standard mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority.</p>
G/TBT/N/I ND/298/Co rr.1	India	<p>Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Residues - Ethylene oxide - Corrigendum	<p>The locally manufactured or imported Anhydrous ammonia shall conform to the Indian Standard IS 662 : 2020 and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of standard mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority.</p>
G/TBT/N/I ND/302/Co rr.1	India	<p>Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023</p>	Sodium cyanide - Corrigendum	<p>The locally manufactured or imported Sodium cyanide shall conform to the Indian Standard IS 11782: 1986 (Reaffirmed 2020), and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of</p>

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G/TBT/N/ND/303/Co rr.1	India	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Toluene diisocyanate - Corrigendum	The locally manufactured or imported Toluene diisocyanate shall conform to the Indian Standard IS 17916 : 2022, and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of standard mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority.
G/TBT/N/ND/304/Co rr.1	India	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Alumina calcined - Corrigendum	The locally manufactured or imported Alumina Calcined shall conform to the Indian Standard IS 17441 (Part 1) : 2021, and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of standard mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority.
G/TBT/N/PER/41/Add .1	Peru	Date of Distribution:	Chrysotile Asbestos - To be added	The purpose of the draft supreme decree is to modify article 11 of the Regulations of Law No.

		13 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated		29662, approved by Supreme Decree No. 028-2014-SA, for the purposes of adapt the administrative authorization procedure for the regulated use of chrysotile asbestos to the provisions established in the Single Ordered Text of Law No. 27444, Procedure Law General Administrative, approved by Supreme Decree No. 004-2019-JUS, and current regulations on improving regulatory quality.
G/TBT/N/U KR/235/Ad d.1	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Asbestos - Addendum	Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Order of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine No 1013 "On Approval of the State Sanitary Norms and Rules "On Safety and Protection of Workers from the Harmful Effects of Asbestos and Materials and Products Containing Asbestos" of June 05, 2023. The Order was registered with the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on August 09, 2023, was published on October 03, 2023 and entered into force on October 01, 2023.
G/TBT/N/U SA/1742/A dd.3	United States	Date of Distribution: 12 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances - Addendum	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing reporting and recordkeeping requirements for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). In accordance with obligations under TSCA, as amended by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020, EPA is requiring persons that manufacture (including import) or have manufactured these chemical substances in any year since 1 January 2011, to submit information to EPA regarding PFAS uses, production volumes, byproducts, disposal, exposures, and existing information on environmental or health effects. In addition to fulfilling statutory obligations under TSCA, this rule will enable EPA to better

				characterize the sources and quantities of manufactured PFAS in the United States
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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