

03 November 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 21 to 27 October 2023.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/C/HN/1539/A/dd.1	China	Date of Distribution: 24 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Toothpaste - Addendum	The draft of January 2021 has been simplified according to received comments, and some deletion has been made for the classification of tooth paste and requirements of testing reports.
G/TBT/N/E/U/1023	European Union	Date of Distribution: 26 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: 24 December 2023	Chemical substances classified as drug precursors	This draft Commission Regulation adds isopropylidene (IMDPAM) and certain esters of two scheduled substances to Category 1 of the list of scheduled substances in Regulation (EC) No 111/2005. Operators will have the obligation to hold a licence for category 1. They will also have special labelling requirements for any packaging containing this substance according to Article 5 of the Regulation.
G/TBT/N/F/RA/232	France	Date of Distribution: 27 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: 25 December 2023	Cosmetics	Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on cosmetic products puts in place a set of rules to be comply with the requirements for cosmetic products placed on the market, the objective being to ensure the proper functioning of the internal market and ensure a high level of protection of human health. Thus, in accordance with this regulation, the manufacture of cosmetic products must comply with Good Manufacturing Practices and ETA

BUREAU OF PHILIPPINE STANDARDS

Membership:

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/G BR/69	United Kingdom	Date of Distribution: 27 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: 25 December 2023	Cosmetics products	<p>These measures will amend the Cosmetics Regulation 1223/2009 as applicable in GB ("the Cosmetics Regulations") as they apply in [England, Wales and Scotland]. They will amend permitted levels of certain chemicals in the Cosmetics Regulations.</p> <p>We will be amending the Cosmetics Regulations to permit the use butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT) up to a maximum concentration of 0.1% in toothpastes, 0.001% in mouthwashes and other leave-on oral care products, and 0.8% in all other cosmetic products.</p>
G/TBT/N/U KR/273	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 25 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: 23 December 2023	Detergents	<p>The draft Resolution provides for the postponement of the introduction of a phased limitation of the content of phosphates and other phosphorus components in detergents used for household and industrial use after the expiration of 90 days following the termination or cancellation of martial law, as well as the exclusion of the provision to carry out the verification of the compliance of the range (model) of a number of detergents or surface-active substances according to the requirements of the Technical Regulation for detergents every two years.</p>
G/TBT/N/U SA/1954/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 25 October 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Hydrofluorocarbons - Addendum	<p>The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is issuing regulations to implement certain provisions of the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act, as enacted on 27 December 2020. This rulemaking restricts the use of hydrofluorocarbons in specific sectors or subsectors in which they are used; establishes a process for submitting technology transitions petitions; establishes record keeping and reporting requirements; and addresses certain other elements related to the effective implementation of the American Innovation and</p>

				Manufacturing Act. These restrictions on the use of hydrofluorocarbons address petitions granted on 7 October 2021, and 19 September 2022.
--	--	--	--	--

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 copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

NEIL P. CATAJAY
Director