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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 05 to 11 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Canada and United States:

| Document Symbol | Notifying Member | Relevant Dates | Products Covered | Summary |
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| G/TBT/NC/AN/673/Add.1 | Canada | Date of Distribution: 11 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated | Prohibition of certain toxic substances - Addendum | The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members of a delay in the publication of the final Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances Regulations, 2022 (the final Regulations). The final Regulations, initially expected to be published in 2023, are now expected to be published in summer 2024, at the earliest. |
| G/TBT/NU/SA/2032 | United States | Date of Distribution: 10 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 10 October 2023 | Hazardous waste generators | The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to make technical corrections that correct or clarify several parts of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste regulations. These technical corrections correct or clarify specific provisions in the existing hazardous waste regulations that were promulgated in the Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements rule, the Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals rule, and the Definition of Solid Waste rule. This rule also makes other minor corrections that fall within the same sections of the hazardous waste regulations but are independent of these three rules. |

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.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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