

29 September 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 09 to 15 September 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from three (3) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/B/OL/21/Add.1	Plurinational State of Bolivia	Date of Distribution: 13 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Prepared lubricants - Addendum	The Plurinational State of Bolivia informs that the Ministry of Hydrocarbons and Energías issued Supreme Decree No. 4988, dated July 19, 2023, by which it puts into effect The Technical Regulation "Quality of Finished Lubricants" and its Annexes come into force, which has as its purpose of having updated specifications to comply with technical requirements, legal and regulatory.
G/TBT/N/IND/305	India	Date of Distribution: 13 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: 11 November 2023	Diesel engines - NOx Reduction Agent AUS 32	The Order seeks to ensure conformity of the Diesel Engines — NOx Reduction Agent AUS 32 to the Indian Standard, as amended from time to time, as specified in the Table of the Order.
G/TBT/N/USA/2044	United States	Date of Distribution: 11 September 2023 Deadline for Comments: 06 November 2023	Pipeline safety : safety of gas distribution pipelines	PHMSA proposes revisions to the pipeline safety regulations to require operators of gas distribution pipelines to update their distribution integrity management programs (DIMP), emergency response plans, operations and maintenance manuals, and other safety practices. These proposals implement provisions of the Leonel Rondon Pipeline Safety Act--part of the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2020--and a National

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 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

				<p>Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommendation directed toward preventing catastrophic incidents resulting from overpressurization of low-pressure gas distribution systems similar to that which occurred on a gas distribution pipeline system in Merrimack Valley on 13 September 2018. PHMSA also proposes to codify use of its State Inspection Calculation Tool, which is used to help states determine the base-level amount of time needed for inspections to maintain an adequate pipeline safety program. Further, PHMSA proposes other pipeline safety initiatives for all part 192-regulated pipelines, including gas transmission and gathering pipelines, such as updating emergency response plans and inspection requirements. Finally, PHMSA proposes to apply annual reporting requirements to small, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) operators in lieu of DIMP requirements.</p>
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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