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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 20 to 26 July 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Brazil, New Zealand, Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and European Union:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/BRA/1560	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 26 July 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Animal multiplication material	Establishes procedures for registration, control and inspection of commercial establishments of national and imported animal multiplication material. Revokes the Normative Instruction No. 56, 27 September 2006, published in the Official Gazette of the Union on 4 October 2006, Edition No. 191, Section 1.
G/TBT/N/NZL/135	New Zealand	Date of Distribution: 25 July 2024 Deadline for Comments: 9 October 2024	Treated seed	The EPA is proposing to issue a new group standard for treated seed under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 (the HSNO Act). Under the HSNO Act, group standards are a type of approval for a group of hazardous substances of a similar nature, type or use. Importers and manufacturers can self-assign their substances to a group standard as long as their substances meet the conditions of the standard.
G/TBT/N/BDI/294/Add.1	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 24 July 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Insecticidal aerosol - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 1114:2022, Insecticidal aerosol — Specification, First Edition; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/294, G/TBT/N/KEN/1329, G/TBT/N/RWA/736, G/TBT/N/TZA/852 and G/TBT/N/UGA/1703 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 14 June 2024. A copy of the document can be obtained via the following link at a basic fee; https://webstore.kebs.org
G/TBT/N/EU/1076	European Union	Date of Distribution: 24 July 2024 Deadline for Comments: 22 September 2024	Pesticides - Metribuzin	This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the approval of the active substance metribuzin is not renewed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009. EU Member States shall withdraw authorisations for plant protection products containing metribuzin as an active substance.

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,

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