

20 June 2024

### 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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 08 to 14 June 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Republic of Korea, United States, and Viet Nam:

| Document Symbol                        | Notifying Member  | Relevant Dates  | Products Covered   | Summary  |
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| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/1213</a>       | Republic of Korea | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Hygiene products   | MFDS is proposing to establish an administrative rule, "Temporary Recognition of Standards and Specifications on Hygiene Products" as follows:<br>A. to prescribe subjects that have not been recognized as hygiene products before;<br>B. to prescribe the procedure to recognize the subjects as hygiene products;<br>C. to prescribe forms that applicants are required to fill out and submit; and<br>D. to prescribe how to prepare the document to be submitted in the Appendix 1. |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/2003/Add.1</a> | United States     | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>Not indicated  | Substitute refrigerants ; commercial and industrial refrigeration ; commercial refrigerating appliances and commercial ice machines - Addendum | Pursuant to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Significant New Alternatives Policy program, this action lists several substitutes as acceptable, subject to use conditions, for retail food refrigeration, commercial ice machines, industrial process refrigeration, cold storage warehouses, and ice skating rinks.  |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/VNM/299</a>        | Viet Nam          | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Products of explosives : amonit explosive  | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, test methods and management measures for Amonit explosive AD1. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to Amonit explosive AD1 in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/VNM/300</a>        | Viet Nam          | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024   | Industrial explosive materials : electric detonator  | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for Electric detonator number 8. This draft technical regulation applies to   |

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- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
  - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
  - National Notification Authority (NNA)

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|                                  |          | Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024  |  | organizations and persons engaged in activities related to Electric detonator number 8 in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.  |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/V NM/301</a> | Viet Nam | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Industrial explosive materials :<br>primer for industrial explosives | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, test methods and management measures for Primer for industrial explosives. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to Primer for industrial explosives in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.  |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/V NM/302</a> | Viet Nam | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Products of explosives :<br>emulsion explosives                      | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for emulsion explosives for underground mines, underground construction without combustible gases. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to emulsion explosives for underground mines, underground construction without combustible gases in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons. |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/V NM/303</a> | Viet Nam | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Industrial explosive materials :<br>ANFO explosives                  | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for ANFO explosives. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to ANFO explosives in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/V NM/304</a> | Viet Nam | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Industrial explosive materials :<br>delay electric detonator         | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for delay electric detonator. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to delay electric detonator in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/N/V NM/305</a> | Viet Nam | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Products of explosives :<br>plain detonator number                   | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for plain detonator number 8. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to plain detonator number 8 in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |

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| <a href="#">G/TBT/NV/NM/306</a>         | Viet Nam      | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Products of explosives :<br>delay fuse   | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for delay fuse. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to delay fuse in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/NV/NM/307</a>         | Viet Nam      | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Products of explosives :<br>water resistance detonating cords                  | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for technical specifications, testing methods and management measures for water resistance detonating cords. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons engaged in activities related to water resistance detonating cords in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons.   |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/NV/NM/308</a>         | Viet Nam      | Date of Distribution:<br>14 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>13 August 2024 | Explosion-proof soft starters with voltage up to 6 kV used in underground mine | This draft technical regulation specifies requirements for the technical specifications, safety and management of explosion-proof soft starters with a voltage of up to 6 kV used in underground mines. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and persons who manufacture, import, test, verify, and use explosion-proof soft starters with a voltage of up to 6 kV used in underground mine in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and persons. |
| <a href="#">G/TBT/NU/SA/2098/A dd.2</a> | United States | Date of Distribution:<br>12 June 2024<br><br>Deadline for Comments:<br>22 July 2024   | Emergency response :<br>occupational safety - Addendum                         | OSHA is extending the period for submitting comments by 30 days to allow stakeholders interested in the NPRM on Emergency Response additional time to review the NPRM and collect information and data necessary for comment. The comment period for the NPRM that was published at 89 FR 7774 on 5 February 2024, is extended. Comments on any aspect of the NPRM must be submitted by 22 July 2024.   |

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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