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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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 30 November to 06 December 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: Japan and European Union

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JP/N/813/Add.1</a>	Japan	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 5 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Chemical substance : poly (oxyethylene) - Addendum	Based on Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), Poly (oxyethylene)=alkyl phenyl ether (where the alkyl consists of 9 carbon atoms, hereinafter referred to as "NPE") was designated as a class II specified chemical substance. Based on Article 35, paragraph 1 and 6 of the Act, a person who manufactures or imports NPE shall notify the planned quantity of NPE to be manufactured or imported. Based on Article 36, paragraph 1 of the Act, measures under the technical guidelines shall be taken upon handling NPE and NPE-added water-based cleaning agents. Based on Article 37, paragraph 1 of the Act, labels with respect to the measures shall be indicated on containers, packaging, etc. on NPE and NPE-added water-based cleaning agents. <a href="https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/chemical_management/kasinhou/files/hourei/2024kaiseir_eibun_npe.pdf">https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/chemical_management/kasinhou/files/hourei/2024kaiseir_eibun_npe.pdf</a> (Japanese only)
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JP/N/821/Add.1</a>	Japan	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 5 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Chemical substances - Addendum	Based on Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), Poly (oxyethylene)=alkyl phenyl ether (where the alkyl consists of 9 carbon atoms, hereinafter referred to as "NPE") was designated as a class II specified chemical substance. Based on Article 37, paragraph 1 of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances, the following is hereby established as the labelling information with respect to measures, etc., for preventing environmental pollution attributable to NPE, etc. for business operators handling NPE, etc. - That it is NPE or that NPE is used in the product - That NPE is a class II specified chemical substance - The concentration of NPE - Precautions (e.g., periodic inspections to prevent leakage) - The name of the person (or business name in the case of a company) providing the labelling information and their

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JP/N/823/Add.1</a>	Japan	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 5 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Chemical substances : poly (oxyethylene)-alkyl phenyl ether - Addendum	Based on Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), Poly (oxyethylene)=alkyl phenyl ether (where the alkyl consists of 9 carbon atoms, hereinafter referred to as "NPE") was designated as a class II specified chemical substance. Based on Article 35, paragraph 1,2, and 6 of the Act, a person who manufactures or imports NPE shall notify the planned quantity of NPE to be manufactured or imported and the quantity of NPE manufactured or imported in the preceding fiscal year. The chemical structure of NPE can vary and therefore, for substance identification additional information such as CAS RN will be needed. For this objective, the notification forms under the Regulation for Enforcement of the Act on the Evaluation of Chemical Substances and Regulation of Their Manufacture, etc. Related to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry will be revised. <a href="https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/chemical_management/kasinhou/files/about/laws/laws_r070401_s.pdf">https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/chemical_management/kasinhou/files/about/laws/laws_r070401_s.pdf</a> (Japanese only)
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/1101</a>	European Union	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 4 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 2 February 2025	Biocidal products : Formic acid	This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves formic acid as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 6.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/1099</a>	European Union	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 2 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 January 2025	Biocidal products : 1,2 - Benzisothiazol -3(2H) -	This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves 1,2-Benzisothiazol-3(2H)-one (BIT) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 6 and 13
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/1100</a>	European Union	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 2 December 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 January 2025	Biocidal products : 2,2 - Dibromo -2 -	This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves 2,2-Dibromo-2-cyanoacetamide (DBNPA) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 6. The substance meets the exclusion criteria set out in Article 5(1) of the Regulation (EU) No 528/2012, but it fulfils the condition for derogation of Article 5(2)(c) of that Regulation for specific uses.

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Thank you.

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