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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 12 to 18 October 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: United States, China, Uganda, European Union, Russian Federation

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/945/Rev.1/Add.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 18 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Residential dishwashers - Addendum	The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published a direct final rule to establish new energy conservation standards for dishwashers in the Federal Register on 24 April 2024 (notified as G/TBT/N/USA/945/Rev.1/Add.1). DOE has determined that the comments received in response to the direct final rule do not provide a reasonable basis for withdrawing the direct final rule.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1958/Add.3</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 18 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Toxic chemicals in consumer products - Addendum	The State of Washington Department of Ecology plans to publish the Draft Identification of Priority Products Report in early November, which identifies the draft priority consumer products for Cycle 2.DEC is holding the following online webinars, and will cover the same information during both webinars:Nov. 14 - Morning webinar at 9:30 a.m.Pacific Time) via ZoomNov. 14 - Evening webinar at 5:30 p.m.Pacific Time) via ZoomDEC will open a public comment period when the report is published to accept comments on the draft report. Cycle 1.5, phase 4: RulemakingDEC published a report regulating the use of PFAS in certain products and started rulemaking for cycle 1.5. A final rule will be in place by December 2025.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1916</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Protective clothing against particles	This document specifies the technical requirements, test methods, markings and the information to be provided by the manufacturers for protective clothing against particles.  This document applies to protective clothing against particles that reduce the hazardous of particulate matter (such as harmful particles and particulate that absorbs other harmful substances) to the wearer.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1917</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024	Safety specification for the protection of dust explosion	This document specifies the division and scope of dust explosion hazard places in grain processing, storage and transportation systems, equipment requirements, electrical requirements, building and structural

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1918</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Safety specification for dust explosion prevention in feed processing system	This document specifies the classification and scope of dust explosion hazard sites for feed processing systems, the overall requirements, the requirements for construction (structure) structures, the requirements for process systems and equipment, the requirements for electrical requirements, the requirements for dust removal and pneumatic conveying systems, the requirements for explosion control measures, and the requirements for operational safety management for dust explosion protection safety, and describes the verification methods thereof. This document applies to the design, construction, operation and safety management of feed processing systems involving combustible dust explosion hazards.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1919</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Bulk grain loading and unloading system in port	This document specifies the general requirements, construction requirements, hot operation requirements, loading and unloading machinery and conveying equipment requirements, weighing system requirements, dust removal system requirements for dust explosion-proof safety in port bulk grain handling system, and describes the verification methods thereof. This document applies to the design, construction, operation and safety management of dust explosion prevention in port bulk grain handling system.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1922</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Indoor and outdoor fixed jet fire extinguishing systems	This document specifies the definition of auto tracking and targeting jet suppression systems, specifies the classification and model, performance requirements, inspection rules, markings, packaging, storage, transportation, and user manual of the system, and describes the testing methods of the system.  This document applies to various indoor and outdoor fixed jet fire extinguishing systems.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1923</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Fireproof coating for electric cable	This document specifies the terminology and definitions, classification and models, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, markings, user manuals, packaging, transportation, and storage of fireproof coatings for electric cable.  This document applies to various types of fireproof coating for electric cable.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1924</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024	Fireproof coatings for concrete structure	This document specifies the terms and definitions, product classification, general requirements, performance requirements, test methods, inspection rules and marking,

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1930</a>	China	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 16 December 2024	Gas facilities in the industrial enterprise factory area	This document specifies the safety management and technical requirements for the design, manufacturing, construction, operation, management and maintenance of gas facilities in the factory area of industrial enterprises, including generating furnace, water gas furnace, semi-water gas furnace, upright continuous carbonizing furnace, blast furnace, converter, coke oven, ferroalloy furnace, etc.  This document applies to the gas facilities in the industrial enterprise factory area, not to the urban gas main pipe, branch pipe and courtyard pipe network and pressure regulating facilities.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/1801/Add.1</a>	Uganda	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Disposable bouffant cap - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Uganda Standard; DUS 2672: 2023, Disposable bouffant cap — Specification, First Edition; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/1801 was adopted on 6 August 2024. The adopted Uganda Standard, US 2672:2024, Disposable bouffant cap — Specification, First Edition, can be purchased online through the link: <a href="https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/">https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/</a>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/2055/Add.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Volatile organic liquid storage vessels (including petroleum liquid storage vessels) - Addendum	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing amendments to the new source performance standards (NSPS) for Volatile Organic Liquid Storage Vessels (Including Petroleum Liquid Storage Vessels) pursuant to the review required by the Clean Air Act (CAA). The EPA is finalizing revisions to the NSPS that are applicable to volatile organic liquid (VOL) storage vessels that commence construction, reconstruction, or modification after 4 October 2023
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/2059/Add.1</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Hydrofluorocarbons - Addendum	The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is issuing regulations to implement certain provisions of the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020. This rulemaking establishes an emissions reduction and reclamation program for the management of hydrofluorocarbons that includes requirements for leak repair and installation and use of automatic leak detection systems for certain equipment using refrigerants containing hydrofluorocarbons and certain substitutes.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/</a>	United	<b>Date of</b>	Ozone-	This action establishes recordkeeping and

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<a href="#">USA/2060/ Add.1</a>	States	<p><b>Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated</p>	depleting substances - Addendum	reporting requirements for uses of ozone-depleting substances as process agents and updates related definitions. Codified recordkeeping and reporting requirements will provide clear notice of information the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency collects, aggregates, and reports each year on behalf of the United States as a party to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer; effectively monitor these narrow uses in a more routine and consistent manner under the Clean Air Act (CAA); and enhance understanding of emissions of substances harmful to the stratospheric ozone layer. This final rule is effective on 12 November 2024. The incorporation by reference (IBR) of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of 12 November 2024. 89 Federal Register (FR) 82414, 10 October 2024; Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 82
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ USA/2081/ Add.3</a>	United States	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated</p>	Beverage containers - Addendum	The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) will be holding an informal public workshop on 29 October 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Pacific Time. The purpose of this workshop is to consult with the public, the regulated community, and other interested persons to solicit feedback on draft regulatory language to add new beverages and new containers to the California Redemption Value (CRV) program that went into effect on 1 January 2024.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ USA/2088/ Add.4</a>	United States	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 October 2024</p>	Plastic pollution - Addendum	California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has begun a 15-day written comment period for the proposed revisions to the SB 54 Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act Permanent Rulemaking. This 15-day written comment period follows an initial 61-day public comment period that began on 8 March 2024, and ended on 8 May 2024. On 23 April 2024, CalRecycle held a hybrid public hearing to receive public comments. CalRecycle will only consider written comments sent to CalRecycle and received during the 15-day written comment period which began on 14 October 2024, and ends on 29 October 2024.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ EU/1090</a>	European Union	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 15 October 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 14 December 2024</p>	Waste in relation to battery-related waste	This draft Commission Delegated Decision concerns a targeted amendment of European the List of Waste to take into account the emergence of new battery chemistry and in the context of the new Battery Regulation (EU) 2023/1542.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/</a>	Russian	<p><b>Date of</b></p>	Products	Decision updates Section 3 of the Chapter II of

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<a href="#">RUS/167</a>	Federation	<b>Distribution:</b> 15 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 14 December 2024	subject to sanitary-epidemiological control which regulates the requirements for materials, reagents, equipment for water treatment and water purification	the Common sanitary-epidemiological and hygienic requirements for products subject to sanitary-epidemiological control which regulates the requirements for materials, reagents, equipment for water treatment and water purification.
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Thank you.

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