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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: CANADA

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: Department of the Environment

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Cleaning products containing Phosphorus (HS Codes 3401.19.0020; 3401.20.90; 3402.20.10; 3402.20.90; 3405.20; 3405.40)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Proposed Regulations Amending the Concentration of Phosphorus in Certain Cleaning Products Regulations (9 pages, available in English and French)
- **6. Description of content:** The Concentration of Phosphorus in Certain Cleaning Products Regulations limit the amount of phosphorus in laundry detergents, household dish-washing compounds and certain household cleaners that are manufactured or imported into Canada.

The proposed Amendments will exempt goods in transit through Canada to ensure Canada's consistency with the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Agreement on Trade Facilitation (the Agreement). In addition, they would clarify that the concentration limit for phosphorus in household cleaning products does not apply to products used exclusively as metal cleaners or de-greasing compounds (the limits would still apply to household multifunctional cleaners); and standardize laboratory accreditation provisions with other regulations under the purview of Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of the Canadian environment; Consistency with the World Trade Organization's Agreement on Trade Facilitation

8. Relevant documents: *Canada Gazette*, Part I, 31 March 2018, pages 921-929 (available in English and French)

9. Proposed date of adoption: Spring 2019

Proposed date of entry into force: Spring 2019

10. Final date for comments: 14 June 2018

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

The electronic version of the regulatory text is available at the following links:

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2018/2018-03-31/pdf/g1-15213.pdf

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2018/2018-03-31/html/reg1-eng.html

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2018/2018-03-31/html/reg1-fra.html