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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION 台灣 通知-有毒物質

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU 台灣

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

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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:

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 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): Toxic chemical substances 有毒物質
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Amendment of the Toxic Chemical Substances Control Act (TCSCA) (Draft) (18 page(s), in English; 40 page(s), in Chinese)
- 6. **Description of content:** In order to keep track of information on chemical substances, the Environmental Protection Administration proposes to adopt the European Union's Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) system and to require enterprises manufacturing or importing chemical substances of more than certain amounts to register those substances in accordance with a pre-set timetable and provide safety information, which will be used as a basis for screening, assessment, and management of toxic chemical substances.

為掌握國內化學物質各項資料,參採歐盟化學物質管理制度(Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals, REACH),要求製造或輸入達一定量之化學物質業者,須依所訂期程登錄並提交安全資料,作為本法篩選評估並列管毒性化學物質管理之基礎。

With a view to better managing chemical substances from the source, and in reference to the management spirit of the United Nation's Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM), this proposed revision provides for the establishment of the "National Board of Chemical Substance Management," which will coordinate the jurisdictions of relevant industry competent authorities' and laws to fill the gaps in connection to the management of chemical substances. Apart from maintaining the management clauses addressing Class 1 through 4 toxic chemical substances, this proposed revision adds the category of "chemical substances of very concern" (the central competent authority is authorized to announce such substances in separate

assessments afterwards), which will facilitate expansion of the number of controlled substances and implementation of classified management, enabling monitoring of the flow of relevant substances and strengthening competent authorities' investigative authority.

為進一步從源頭管理化學物質,爰參考聯合國國際化學品管理策略方針(The Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management, SAICM) 管理精神,修正納入成立「國家化學物質管理諮詢會報」,協調各目的事業主管機關權責與法規,防止管理漏洞;除維持現行第一至第四類毒性化學物質管理條文之外,新增「關注化學物質」,以利擴大列管物質數量並進行分級管理,以掌握物質流向,同時強化主管機關查核權限。

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To strengthen management of chemical substances and to enhance the protection of the environmental and human health and safety.
- 8. Relevant documents: None
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined.

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.

- 10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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