NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of 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:**  Chemicals Policy Division, Ministry of Environment,  Building #6, 11, Doum 6-ro, Sejong, 30103, Republic of Korea Tel: 82-44-201-6783; Fax: 82-44-201-6786 Email: [parksc23@korea.kr](mailto:parksc23@korea.kr)  Website: [www.me.go.kr](http://www.me.go.kr) |
| **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):** Chemical substances |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft partial amendment of the 'Enforcement Rule of the Act on Registration, Evaluation, etc. of Chemicals' (7 page(s), in Korean) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Title of Law: "Enforcement Rule of the Act on Registration, Evaluation, etc. of Chemicals"  - Major Contents:  **A. Designation of candidate substance for substance subject to permission (Article 34-2, newly added)**  1) When designating candidate(s) of substance(s) subject to permission, the Ministry of Environment (ME) selects the candidate substance(s) based on the priority. The priority is set by considering comprehensively the chemical substance's hazard whether it meets the standard of "MOE Public Notice on Substance subject to Intensive Control" or not, its total amount distributed in Korea, and the scope of its users as well as whether foreign government or international organization regulates the chemical substance or not.  **B. Data requirements for chemical substance manufactured or imported equal to or more than 0.1 ton but less than one ton per year (Attachment 1, revised)**  1) When a chemical substance is manufactured or imported equal to or more than 0.1 ton but less than one ton per year, it is allowed to waive environmental hazard data from data requirements for registration if the chemical substance's water solubility is less than 1mg/l or if the chemical substance is used as intermediate or process regulator.  **C. Application for exemption confirmation from notification of R&D substance (Attachment 5, revised)**  1) When a chemical substance is intended to import for R&D purpose, and its estimated annual importing amount is less than 100kg, overseas manufacturer or producer may not provide the chemical substance's name and identity number (e.g. CAS number) by insisting such information as CBI. In this case, it is allowed not to specify the chemical substance's name and identify number on an application form for exemption confirmation from notification of chemical substance if the chemical substance's SDS is submitted with the application form. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Harmonization with the higher law; Protection of human health or safety; Harmonization |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** Ministry of Environment Public Notice No. 2022-90 (18 February 2022) |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 29 April 2022  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 29 April 2022; Please note that the revision of Article 34-2 will come into force on 15 October 2022 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Korea WTO TBT Enquiry Point Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Division Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) 93 Isu-ro Maengdong-myeon Eumseong-gun Chungchungbuk-do  27737 +(82) 43 870 5521 +(82) 43 870 5682 (Fax) [tbt@korea.kr](mailto:tbt@korea.kr) <http://www.knowtbt.kr>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/KOR/22_1688_00_x.pdf> |