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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [2262]
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other [X]:</b> EPA is required to conduct risk evaluations on chemical substances. Each risk evaluation must be conducted consistent with the best available science, be based on the weight of the scientific evidence, and consider reasonably available information.
<b>4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Butyl Benzyl Phthalate (BBP) and Diisobutyl Phthalate (DIBP); Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Production in the chemical industry (ICS code(s): 71.020); Products of the chemical industry (ICS code(s): 71.100)
<b>5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):</b> Butyl Benzyl Phthalate (BBP); Diisobutyl Phthalate (DIBP); Draft Risk Evaluations Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA); Notice of Availability and Request for Comment; (3 page(s), in English)  <b>Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:</b>  <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05204_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05204_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Notice of Availability and Request for Comment - The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is announcing the availability of and seeking public comment on the draft risk evaluations under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for <a href="#">Butyl Benzyl Phthalate (BBP) (CASRN 85-68-7)</a> and <a href="#">Diisobutyl Phthalate (DIBP) (CASRN 84-69-5)</a> . The purpose of <a href="#">risk evaluations under TSCA</a> is to determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment under the conditions of use, including unreasonable risk to potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations identified as relevant to the risk evaluation by EPA, and without consideration of costs or non-risk factors. EPA used the best available science to prepare this draft risk evaluation and to preliminarily determine, based on the weight of scientific evidence, that BBP and DIBP pose unreasonable risk to health and the environment driven primarily by certain conditions of use analyzed in the draft risk evaluations.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment

**8. Relevant documents:**

90 Federal Register (FR) 37855, 6 August 2025:

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-06/html/2025-14882.htm>

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This notice of availability and request for comment is identified by Docket Numbers EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0501 and EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0434. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0501/document> and <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0434/document> and provide access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) by searching the Docket Number.

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** Not applicable

**Proposed date of entry into force:** Not applicable

**10. Provision of comments**

**Final date for comments:** 6 October 2025

**[ ] 60 days from notification**

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the [USA TBT Enquiry Point](#). Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by [4pm Eastern Time](#) on 6 October 2025 will be shared with the EPA and will also be submitted to the Docket on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

**Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:**

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: [usatbtep@nist.gov](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov)