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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: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

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

2. Agency responsible:

Chemicals Administration Ministry of Environment

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
- 4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): ORGANIC CHEMICALS (HS code(s): 29); PHOTOGRAPHIC OR CINEMATOGRAPHIC GOODS (HS code(s): 37)
- 5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): List of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances and Related Management Measures; (22 page(s), in Chinese), (23 page(s), in English)

Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/TPKM/25 05995 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/TPKM/25 05995 00 x.pdf

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6. Description of content: The Ministry of Environment announced the draft of "List of Perand Polyfluoroalkyl Substances and Related Management Measures" on 5 August 2025.

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are considered potential threats to the environment and human health, as they may persist or transform into long-lasting substances, leading to environmental contamination. A total of 269 PFAS have been proposed for designation as "concerned chemical substances" under Article 24, Paragraph 2 of the "Toxic and Concerned Chemical Substances Control Act".

The management measures for PFAS are intended to ensure the traceability of chemicals and transmission of information within the supply chain, without imposing restrictions on their intended uses. Highlights of the announcement are as follows:

- 1. **PFAAs, precursors, and related PFAS:** At handling concentrations of 0.1% or above, manufacturers, importers, sellers, users, and storage operators must obtain approval documents, maintain monthly records and submit quarterly reports, and properly label the chemicals.
- 2. **Gaseous and polymeric PFAS:** At handling concentrations of 30% or above, manufacturers and importers are required to obtain approval documents, maintain

monthly records and submit quarterly reports, and properly label the chemicals. For concentrations between 0.1% and less than 30%, only labeling is required.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment

8. Relevant documents:

Government Gazette, Vol. 31, No. 146, dated 5 August 2025.

Toxic and Concerned Chemical Substances Control Act

(https://oaout.moenv.gov.tw/law/EngLawContent.aspx?lan=E&id=210)

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 14 November 2025

[X] 60 days from notification

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

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