NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** JAPAN  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare  Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry  Ministry 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:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Poly (oxyethylene)=alkyl phenyl ether (where the alkyl consists of 9 carbon atoms, hereinafter referred to as "NPE".) and NPE-added water-based cleaning agents |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revision of the Order for Enforcement of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances; (2 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Based on Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), NPE will be designated as a class II specified chemical substance.  Based on Article 35, paragraph 1 and 6 of the Act, a person who manufactures or imports NPE shall notify the planned quantity of NPE to be manufactured or imported.  Based on Article 36, paragraph 1 of the Act, measures under the technical guidelines shall be taken upon handling NPE and NPE-added water-based cleaning agents.  Based on Article 37, paragraph 1 of the Act, labels with respect to the measures shall be indicated on containers, packaging, etc. on NPE and NPE-added water-based cleaning agents. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of animal or plant life or health; Protection of the environment |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  - Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (Act No. 117 of October 16, 1973)  <https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/3350>  - Order for Enforcement of the Act on the Regulation of Manufacture and Evaluation of Chemical Substances (Cabinet Order No. 202 of June 7, 1974)  <https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/158> |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** October 2024  **Proposed date of entry into force:** April 2025 |
| **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:**  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku  Tokyo 100-8919, Japan  Tel.: + (81) 3 5501 8344  Fax: + (81) 3 5501 8343  E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/JPN/24_03889_00_e.pdf> |