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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 19 December 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Carbon Tetrachloride (CTC); Regulation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

| Reason for Addendum: | |
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| [] | Comment period changed - date: |
| [] | Notified measure adopted - date: |
| [X] | Notified measure published - date: 18 December 2024 |
| [X] | Notified measure enters into force - date: 17 January 2025 |
| [X] | Text of final measure available from ¹ : |
| | https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/final_measure/24_08488_00_e.pdf |
| [] | Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: |
| | Relevant symbol if measure re-notified: |
| [] | Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from ¹ : |
| | New deadline for comments (if applicable): |
| [] | Interpretive guidance issued and text available from ¹ : |
| [] | Other: |

Description: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or "Agency") is finalizing a rule to address the unreasonable risk of injury to health presented by <u>carbon tetrachloride (CTC)</u> under its conditions of use. The Toxic Substances Control Act (<u>TSCA</u>) requires that EPA address by rule any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment identified in a TSCA risk evaluation and apply requirements to the extent necessary so that the chemical no longer presents unreasonable risk. EPA's final rule will establish workplace safety requirements for most conditions of use, including the condition of use related to the making of low Global Warming Potential (GWP) hydrofluoroolefins (HFOs); prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, distribution in commerce, and industrial/commercial use of CTC for conditions of use where information indicates use of CTC has ceased; and establish recordkeeping and downstream notification requirements. The use of CTC in low GWP HFOs is particularly important in the Agency's efforts to support the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020 (<u>AIM Act</u>) and the <u>Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer</u>, which was ratified on 26 October 2022.

¹ This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

This final rule is effective on 17 January 2025.

89 Federal Register (FR) 103512, 18 December 2024; <u>Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)</u> Part 751:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-12-18/html/2024-29517.htm

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This final rule and the proposed rule notified as <u>G/TBT/N/USA/2024</u> is identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2020-0592. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2020-0592/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.