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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

1. Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [2174]

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:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other [X]: 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.
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Diisononyl phthalate (DINP); 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)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Di-isononyl phthalate (DINP); Draft Risk Evaluation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA); Notice of Availability, Webinar and Request for Comment; (3 page(s), in English)
- Description of content: Notice and announcement of webinar to be held 26 September 6. 2024 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EST - The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is announcing the availability of and seeking public comment on a draft risk evaluation under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for di-isononyl phthalate (DINP) (1,2-Benzene- dicarboxylic acid, 1,2- diisononyl ester) (CASRN 28553-12-0). The purpose of risk evaluations under TSCA is to determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, without consideration of costs or non-risk factors, including unreasonable risk to potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations identified as relevant to the risk evaluation by EPA, under the conditions of use (COU). EPA has used the best available science to prepare this draft risk evaluation and to preliminarily determine that DINP poses unreasonable risk to human health.
- 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:**

89 Federal Register (FR) 71270, 3 September 2024:

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https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-09-03/html/2024-19698.htm

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A webinar will be held 26 September 2024, <u>2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time</u> (EST)

Register by 8 September 2024, <u>12:00 p.m.</u> <u>Eastern Standard Time (EST)</u>, to receive the webcast meeting link and audio teleconference information before the meeting.

Request special accommodation(s) by 8 September 2024, <u>5:00 p.m.</u> <u>Eastern Standard</u> <u>Time (EST)</u>, to allow EPA time to process the request before the meeting.

This proposed rule is identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0436. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <u>https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0436/document</u> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from <u>Regulations.gov</u> by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the <u>USA TBT Enquiry Point</u>. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by <u>4pm Eastern Time</u> on 4 November 2024 will be shared with the EPA and will also be submitted to the <u>Docket</u> on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

- G/TBT/N/USA/1909/Add.1/Corr.1
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determinedProposed date of entry into force: To be determined
- **10.** Final date for comments: 4 November 2024
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/24_06007_00_e.pdf