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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Revision

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CHINA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Environmental Protection

 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 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): NCS (new chemical substances) that have not been manufactured, imported, processed or used in China.
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Measures on The Environmental Management of New Chemical Substances (revised) (16 pages, in Chinese).
- **6. Description of content:** This document is a revised version of the Measures on the Environmental Administration of New Chemical substances (Order of SEPA, No.17) which came into force on Oct.15, 2003. The main revised contents are:
 - 1. improving the system of screening and identifying the risky part of NCS and adding procedures for low volume notification and scientific research record notification.
 - 2. setting up prior controlling mechanism for the risky part of NCS.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To realize the management aim of control and prevent environmental risk of NCS. Safeguarding human health and protecting the ecological environment
- **Relevant documents:** The Guidelines for the Testing of Chemicals (HJ/T 153-2004); The Guidelines for the Hazard Evaluation of New Chemical Substances (HJ/T 154-2004); The Guidelines of Chemical Testing Good Laboratory Practices GLP (HJ/T 155-2004); The New Chemical Substance Notification Guideline (1st version 2007); The Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China
- 9. **Proposed date of adoption:** December 2009 **Proposed date of entry into force:** 15 October 2010

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days after the date of notification
- 11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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http://www.mep.gov.cn/info/bgw/bbgth/200905/t20090527_152076.htm

And can also be downloaded here.