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NOTIFICATION OF NATIONAL IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

Communication from Japan Pursuant to Article XXIV:5(b)¹ of the GPA

Addendum

The following communication, dated 22 July 2009, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Japan.

Pursuant to Article XXIV, paragraph 5(b) of the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement, the Government of Japan wishes to inform the Committee on Government Procurement of the following.²

NOTIFICATION OF THE PARTIAL REVISION TO THE "BASIC POLICY CONCERNING THE PROMOTION OF CONTRACTS CONSIDERING REDUCTION OF EMISSIONS OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND OTHERS BY THE STATE AND OTHER ENTITIES" UNDER THE "LAW CONCERNING THE PROMOTION OF CONTRACTS CONSIDERING REDUCTION OF EMISSIONS OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND OTHERS BY THE STATE AND OTHER ENTITIES"

1. Agency responsible:

Ministry of the Environment

2. Description of the partial revision of the Basic Policy:

The original "Basic Policy concerning the Promotion of Contracts Considering Reduction of Emissions of Greenhouse Gases and Others by the State and Other Entities" (hereinafter referred to as Basic Policy) based on the "Law concerning the Promotion of Contracts Considering Reduction of Emissions of Greenhouse Gases and Others by the State and Other Entities" was adopted by cabinet

¹ Article XXIV:5(b) reads as follows: *National Legislation* "(b) Each Party shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations."

² Previous notifications of Japan's implementing legislation were made in GPA/37, dated 20 June 2000; GPA/67, dated 15 April 2002; GPA/37/Add.1, dated 7 April 2004, GPA/37/Add.2, dated 21 March 2005; GPA/37/Add.3, dated 15 March 2006; GPA/37/Add.4, dated 13 March 2007; GPA/37/Add.5, dated 1 April 2008; GPA/99, dated 2 June 2009; and GPA/37/Add.6, dated 23 July 2009.

decision in December 2007. The revision of the Basic Policy, to add a category of contracts related to the lease of vehicles, was adopted by cabinet decision in February 2009. (The Japanese text of the revised Basic Policy is available on the Ministry of the Environment website below. An English version of the Basic Policy will also be available on the same website.) http://www.env.go.jp/policy/ga/index.html

3. Starting date of procurement based on the revised Basic Policy:

1 April 2009

4. Enquiry point:

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