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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.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [980] <b>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:</b> Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Inquiry Point Email: <a href="mailto:ncsci@nist.gov">ncsci@nist.gov</a>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b> Transparency
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Endocrine disruptor screening. Environmental protection (ICS: 13.020), Domestic safety (ICS: 13.120), Environmental testing (ICS: 19.040)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Draft Test Guidelines; Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program Test Guidelines (Series 890); Three Tier 2 Non-Mammalian Tests; Notice of Availability and Request for Comment (3 pages, in English)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> EPA is announcing the availability of three draft test guidelines for public review and comment that are being added to its 890 Series, entitled "Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program Test Guidelines." The draft guidelines relate to the following three non- mammalian species tests identified under Tier 2 of the Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP): Japanese quail 2-generation reproduction test; Medaka extended 1-generation reproduction test; and Larval amphibian growth and development assay. These draft test guidelines are part of a series of test guidelines established by the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) for use in testing pesticides and chemical substances. The test guidelines serve as a compendium of accepted scientific methodologies and protocols that are intended to provide data to inform regulatory decisions. The test guidelines provide guidance for conducting the test, and are also used by EPA, the public, and companies that submit data to EPA.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Protection of animal or plant life or health; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment

<b>8.</b>	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 80 Federal Register (FR) 5107, 30 January 2015</li><li>• Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) - <a href="http://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Legislation/FederalFoodDrugandCosmeticActFDCA/default.htm">http://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Legislation/FederalFoodDrugandCosmeticActFDCA/default.htm</a></li></ul>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 31 March 2015
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b> <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-30/html/2015-01836.htm">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-30/html/2015-01836.htm</a> <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-30/pdf/2015-01836.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-30/pdf/2015-01836.pdf</a>