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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 21 July 2017, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the $\underline{\text{United States of America}}$.

TITLE: Procedures for Prioritization of Chemicals for Risk Evaluation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: As required under section 6(b)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), EPA is issuing a final rule that establishes the process and criteria that EPA will use to identify chemical substances as either High-Priority Substances for risk evaluation, or Low-Priority Substances for which risk evaluations are not warranted at the time. The final rule describes the processes for formally initiating the prioritization process on a selected candidate, providing opportunities for public comment, screening the candidate against certain criteria, and proposing and finalizing designations of priority. Prioritization is the initial step in a new process of existing chemical substance review and risk management activity established under TSCA.

This final rule is effective 18 September 2017.

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