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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Environment <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>  Chemical Products and Biocides Division, Ministry of Environment, Building #6, 11, Doum 6-ro, Sejong, 30103, Republic of Korea Tel: 82-44-201-6804 Fax: 82-44-201-6786 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hyejink@korea.kr">hyejink@korea.kr</a> Website: <a href="http://www.me.go.kr">www.me.go.kr</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [X], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Active substance and biocidal product
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> "Approval Criteria of Active Substance and Biocidal Product" (11 page(s), in Korean)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Name of Law: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- ME Public Notice "Approval Criteria of Active Substance and Biocidal Product"</li></ul> Major Contents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Ministry of Environment announces the approval criteria of active substance and biocidal product in accordance with Article 12(2) and Article 20(2) of the Act on Consumer Chemical Products and Biocides Safety (Law No. 15511, which come into effect on 1 January 2019)</li><li>- This ME Public Notice provides scientific decision-making criteria to approve active substance or biocidal product by defining specific criteria about adverse impacts on human health and the environment, effect and efficacy, etc. With this criteria, approval applicant can predict whether his/her application is accepted or not.</li><li>- These criteria are to decide approval of active substance or biocidal product depending on hazard classification and risk of human health hazard (e.g. CMRs) and environmental hazard (e.g. PBT).</li></ul>
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To secure chemical safety of active substance and biocidal product before they are placed on the market, with a view to prevent any incidents like the humidifier disinfectant case.

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ME Public Notice No. 2018-807</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 1 January 2019 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 January 2019
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 20 days from notification
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Chemical Products and Biocides Division, Ministry of Environment, Building #6, 11, Doum 6-ro, Sejong, 30103, Republic of Korea Tel: 82-44-201-6804 Fax: 82-44-201-6786 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hyejink@korea.kr">hyejink@korea.kr</a> Website: <a href="http://www.me.go.kr">www.me.go.kr</a>  <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/KOR/18_5725_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/KOR/18_5725_00_x.pdf</a>