Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party and Agency: JAPAN: Animal Health Division, Livestock Industry Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, (1-2-1, Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan)

2. Provision of the Agreement: 2.6.1

3. Product(s) covered, CCCN Heading (National Tariff Heading where applicable):
   Drugs which are intended for animal use exclusively (Chapter 30)

4. Title of project:
   Amendment to the regulation with regard to labelling requirement for those drugs.

5. Description:
   (1) The regulation determines standards which prescribe usage, dosage and period of prohibition against the use of those drugs in case that those drugs are used to animals being slaughtered for food and requires that said standards be observed by users of the drug concerned and that the contents of said standards be indicated on the package leaflet enclosed with the drug concerned.
   (2) Requiring the indication such as "Drug for animals" on the immediate container or wrapper of those drugs.

6. Objective and rationale:
   For the protection of human health
   Prevention of the residue in meat or eggs with regard to those drugs such as antibiotics.

7. Relevant document(s):
   Pharmaceutical Affairs Law

8. Where published, when adopted:
   KAMPO (Official Government Gazette); 30 September 1980

9. Final date for submission of comments:
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10. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:
    (1) As to 5. Description (1)
        1 April 1980 with a six-month grace period
    (2) As to 5. Description (2)
        30 September 1980, with a two-year grace period for items already in inventory or items using material ingredients correctly labelled under superseded law within one year.