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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency (407)
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Ozone-depleting substances
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Protection of Stratospheric Ozone (38 pages)
6. Description of content: The Agency is proposing to amend the schedule for the phase-out of ozone-depleting chemicals, as provided for under Section 606 of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990. This action also proposes regulations implementing the amendments, adjustments and decisions adopted by the parties to the Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer at their November 1992 meeting. The Agency proposes to add methyl bromide and hydrobromofluorocarbons (HPFCS) to the list of Class I substances. In accordance with trade provisions in Article 4 of the Montreal Protocol, the Agency proposes to ban specified trade between the United States and foreign States not party to the Protocol.
7. Objective and rationale: Environmental safety
8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 15014, 18 March 1993 and 58 FR 25793, 28 April 1993; 40 CFR Part 82. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10. Final date for comments: 18 May 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: