NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT) [1639]  **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:**  Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: [usatbtep@nist.gov](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Hazardous liquid pipelines; Environmental protection (ICS 13.020), Accident and disaster control (ICS 13.200), Pipeline components and pipelines (ICS 23.040) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Pipeline Safety: Regulatory Reform for Hazardous Liquid Pipelines (20 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Notice of proposed rulemaking - PHMSA is soliciting public comment on proposed amendments to the Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations for the safety of hazardous liquid pipelines that would revise the requirements for facility response plans, revise the definition for accidents, and consider repealing, replacing, or modifying other specific regulations. The intent of these changes is to reduce regulatory burdens and improve regulatory clarity without compromising safety and environmental protection. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Cost saving and productivity enhancement |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * 85 Federal Register (FR) 21140, 16 April 2020; Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 190, 194 and 195: [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-04-16/html/2020-05721.htm>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-04-16/html/2020-05721.htm) [<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-04-16/pdf/2020-05721.pdf>](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-04-16/html/2020-05721.htm) * The docket folder on Regulations.gov provides access to primary and supporting documents for this rulemaking: [<https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=PHMSA-2018-0047>](https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=PHMSA-2018-0047) |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 15 June 2020 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [** **]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/USA/20_2793_00_e.pdf> |