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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>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) Level 10, Grant Thornton House 215 Lambton Quay Private Bag 63002, Waterloo Quay Wellington 6140 New Zealand Ph: +64 4 916 2426 Email <a href="mailto:reassessments@epa.govt.nz">reassessments@epa.govt.nz</a> <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> Standards New Zealand, Phone: +64 4 498 5990 Email: <a href="mailto:wto@standards.co.nz">wto@standards.co.nz</a> Website: <a href="http://www.standards.govt.nz">www.standards.govt.nz</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], 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> Cosmetic products, including under heading HS 3304
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Proposal to amend the Cosmetics Products Group Standard 2020, 29 pages, English. <a href="https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/open-consultations/updates-to-the-cosmetic-products-group-standard">https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/open-consultations/updates-to-the-cosmetic-products-group-standard</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Proposal to amend the Cosmetic Products Group Standard 2020 (the Group Standard) includes proposals to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Update lists of cosmetic ingredients subject to certain rules (including those that are banned/restricted) to be consistent with current annexes of EU Cosmetics Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009);</li><li>· Expand the scope of the Group Standard to require products that are not hazardous in themselves but do contain a hazardous component to comply with the Group Standard;</li><li>· Introduce a phase-out of PFAS (perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances) containing cosmetic products by 31 December 2025;</li></ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Updating requirements to adhere to the International Fragrance Association (IFRA) Standards to reference the 50th amendment of those standards, and any subsequent versions;</li> <li>· Providing for appropriate transitional arrangements; and</li> </ul> <p>Several other minor drafting changes.</p>
<p><b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The proposed changes to the Cosmetic Products Group Standard 2020 (the Group Standard) are intended to align with developments in the European Union (EU), with the objective of ensuring the protection of human health or safety and protection of the environment.</p>
<p><b>8. Relevant documents:</b></p> <p>Proposal to amend the Cosmetics Products Group Standard 2020, 29 pages, English.</p> <p>Proposed tracked-changes Group Standard, 392 pages, English.</p> <p>Proposed tracked-changes Group Standard clean version, 365 pages, English.</p>
<p><b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> Late-2023</p> <p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Late-2024 for most changes.</p> <p>December 2025 for the PFAS phase-out.</p>
<p><b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 31 May 2023</p>
<p><b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b></p> <p>The related proposal documents listed above are available at the following link: <a href="https://www.epa.govt.nz/database-search/hsno-application-register/view/APP204297">https://www.epa.govt.nz/database-search/hsno-application-register/view/APP204297</a></p> <p>General information regarding the EPA's proposal to amend the Cosmetics Products Group Standard 2020 is available at the links below: <a href="https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/open-consultations/updates-to-the-cosmetic-products-group-standard">https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/open-consultations/updates-to-the-cosmetic-products-group-standard</a></p>