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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 22 February 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of New Zealand.

Title: Proposal to amend the Cosmetics Products Group Standard 2020, 29 pages, English.

<https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/open-consultations/updates-to-the-cosmetic-products-group-standard>

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Description: The Proposal to amend the Cosmetics Products Group Standard 2020 (the Group Standard) considered amending the existing Group Standard to align with international developments, with the objective of ensuring the protection of human health or safety and protection of the environment. New Zealand notified the assessment report for the proposal in accordance with article 2.9.2 of the WTO.

The adopted version includes the following amendments to the notified draft requirements:

- Updated definition of PFAS to include exemptions as defined in Reference Number 2 in Table 2 of Schedule 4 of the Cosmetic Products Group Standard 2020 amended January 2024.

¹ This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

- Longer transition periods for all amendments, including addition of specific dates for import/manufacture, supply, and disposal of cosmetic products.
- Removal of zinc pyrithione from Schedule 4 for banned substances and retained in Table 2 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 7 for New Zealand restrictions and preservatives, respectively. Removal of the duplication of 3 and 4-hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde (HICC) from Schedule 5 and retained as a banned substance is Schedule 4.

Submissions received through the domestic consultation process and comments received on the notification to the WTO TBT Committee were considered as part of the process. Technical explanations and responses to submissions are provided in the EPA Update Report: [APP204297 Update Report for Proposal to amend the Cosmetic Products Group Standard 2020](#)
