

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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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.

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency (46) <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Nonroad Diesel Engines (HS Chapter 8703) (ICS 43)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Control of Emissions of Air Pollution From Nonroad Diesel Engines and Fuel (278 pages, in English)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Agency is proposing new emission standards for nonroad diesel engines and sulfur reductions in nonroad diesel fuel that will dramatically reduce emissions attributed to nonroad diesel engines. This comprehensive national program will regulate nonroad diesel engines and diesel fuel as a system. New engine standards will begin to take effect in the 2008 model year. These standards are based on the use of advanced exhaust emission control devices. Nonroad diesel fuel sulfur reductions of up to 99% from existing levels will provide significant health benefits as well as facilitate the introduction of high-efficiency catalytic exhaust emission control devices as these devices are damaged by sulfur. These fuel controls would begin in mid 2007. Today's nonroad proposal is largely based on the Agency's 2007 highway diesel program.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To benefit public health and welfare and the environment.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> 68 Federal Register (FR) 28328 23 May 2003; Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 69, 80, 89, 1039, 1065, and 1068. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> } <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> } To be determined
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 20 August 2003
11.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: <a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html</a>