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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry for Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment
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): Shredding equipment
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Order on Discharge Regulations Governing Non-Institutions Environment
6.	<p>Description of content: Rules prescribing the discharge of household and industrial effluent originating from non-institutions (i.e. not based on Article 1.1, paragraph 3, wm. suitable institutions) into public sewers. The purport of the order is to implement Directive 91/271/EEC (OJEC 1 135) and partly relates to issues connected therewith.</p> <p>(a) Re: industrial effluent: Article 5: implementation Article 11, paragraph 2, Directive 91/271/EEC (OJEC 1 135) Articles 2 and 3: industrial waste which is kept separate from industrial effluent, not in public sewers, harmful waste only in so far as expressly permitted in the said exemption. More detailed regulations may be included in the exemption issued by the mayor and alderman, re: Article 10.47, paragraph 1, wm.</p> <p>(b) Re: household effluent: Article 5: also applies to household effluent. Article 4: ban on introducing shredded household waste into drains and sewers. No other regulations, falls within the scope of the statutory exemption of Article 10.15, paragraph 2(b), wm. In accordance with further requirement (Article 5), the mayor and alderman may prescribe provisions to guarantee the effective operation of drains and sewers, and the effluent purification installation (rwzi) or the processing of sediment from the sewers or the rwzi.</p>

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7.	Objective and rationale: In connection with the implementation of the Directive included under (a), the model discharge regulation governing sewerage 1992 which, generally, has been adopted by local authorities, either wholly or in part, is being replaced by a statutory system. This adjustment shall not have any negative effects on the environment.
8.	Relevant documents: Reference documents: 1. Act of 2 November 1994, governing the amendment of the environment act and the act on pollution of surface waters (effluent) (Law Gazette 798). 2. Model discharge regulation governing sewerage 1992, association of Dutch municipalities.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 31 August 1995
10.	Final date for comments: 20 April 1995
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: