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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

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| 1. Notifying Member: <u>INDIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. Agency responsible: Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Government of India 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: Shri Susanta Kumar Purohit, Joint Secretary, Room No-341, A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428 Fax: 011-23073682 Email: jschem-cpc@gov.in |
| 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Ethylene Oxide (HS CODE – 29101000) |
| 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ethylene Oxide (Quality Control) Order, 2023; (1 page(s), in English) |
| 6. Description of content: Ethylene oxide is used in organic synthesis, especially in the production of ethylene glycol. It forms starting material for the manufacture of acrylonitrile and non-ionic surfactants. It is also used as a fumigant for foodstuffs and in textiles and pharmaceutical industry. So, for protection of human health and environment, the BIS standard of Ethylene oxide needs to be made mandatory. The locally manufactured or imported Ethylene Oxide shall conform to the Indian Standard (IS 5573: 1984) and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-II of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of standard mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority. |
| 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements |

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| 8. Relevant documents: |
| Quality Control Order for making Indian Standard of Ethylene Oxide specification (IS 5573: 1984), as mandatory is enclosed. |
| 9. Proposed date of adoption: Yet to be decided. Proposed date of entry into force: 6 months from adoption |
| 10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: Shri Susanta Kumar Purohit, Joint Secretary, Room No-341, A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428 Fax: 011-23073682 Email: jschem-cpc@gov.in https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/IND/23_12320_00_e.pdf |