



29 November 2017

(17-6519)

Page: 1/2

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Food and Drug Safety 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: International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety 187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdeok-gu, Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do, 28162 Republic of Korea Tel: (+82) 43 719-1564 Fax: (+82) 43-719-1550 Email: wtokfda@korea.kr
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 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): Dish detergent, dishwasher rinse aid, disposable cup, spoon, chopsticks, fork, knife, straw, toilet paper, kitchen paper, paper towel, paper napkin, toothpick etc
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed enactment to the "Standards and Specifications for Cleansing & Hygiene Products" (212 page(s), in Korean)
6. Description of content: The purpose of establishment of Standards and Specifications for Cleansing & Hygiene Products is to stipulate matters concerning ingredient requirements, manufacturing methods, and the usage of cleansing & hygiene products to ensure public safety and quality of cleansing & hygiene products. The proposed establishment of Standards and Specifications for Cleansing & Hygiene Products ("the standards and specifications") includes the following provisions: a) Establish general rules to specify the legal basis and operational purposes of the standards and to determine matters concerning criteria for classification of cleansing & hygiene products, test unit, temperature range, etc. b) Establish common standards and specifications for cleansing & hygiene products to stipulate matter concerning requirements for raw materials used for manufacturing, criteria for compliance with the standards and specifications, and storage and distribution of cleansing and hygiene product. c) Set forth individual standards and specifications applied in the light of characteristic of 17 cleansing & hygiene products designated by the Cleansing & Hygiene Control Act and provide the list of eligible ingredients for detergent and rinse aid.

<p>d) Stipulates matters concerning sampling and sample handling methods in view of physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of the specimens used for test inspection.</p> <p>e) Establish 29 test methods to determine whether the 17 hygiene products comply with individual standards and specifications.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To secure the safety and quality for the Cleansing & Hygiene product</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:MFDS Notice No. 2017-421 (22 September 2017)</p>
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification</p>
<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Division Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) 93, Isu-ro, Maengdong-myeon, Eumseong-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do, Republic of Korea, 27737 Tel.: (+82) 43 870 5525 Fax: (+82) 43 870 5682 E-mail: tbt@kats.go.kr Website: http://www.knowtbt.kr https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/KOR/17_5312_00_x.pdf</p>