NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [1384]**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:** Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry PointEmail: usatbtep@nist.gov |
| **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):** Volatile organic compounds; Environmental protection (ICS 13.020), Air quality (ICS 13.040), Products of the chemical industry (ICS 71.100). |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Air Quality: Revision to the Regulatory Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds--Exclusion of cis-1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobut-2-ene (HFO-1336mzz-Z) (8 page(s), in English)   |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to revise the regulatory definition of volatile organic compounds (VOC) under the Clean Air Act (CAA). This action proposes to add cis- 1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobut-2-ene (also known as HFO-1336mzz-Z; CAS number 692-49-9) to the list of compounds excluded from the regulatory definition of VOC on the basis that this compound makes a negligible contribution to tropospheric ozone (O3) formation. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of the environment |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** 83 Federal Register (FR) 19026, 1 May 2018; Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 51.  Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.   |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined**Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 2 July 2018 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/USA/18_2372_00_e.pdf> |