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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. Notifying Member: <u>JAMAICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation 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: Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation 25 Dominica Drive, Kingston 5 Telephone: (876) 926 1590 (876) 926-1690-3 Fax: (876) 926-4449 Email: info@megjc.gov.jm and tbtenquiry@bsj.org.jm
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [X], 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): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single use plastic food container made wholly or in part of polyethylene, polypropylene or polylactic acid. Tariff code 3923 1090 90• Cosmetic care or personal care products to which plastic microbeads or microplastics have been intentionally added
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Natural Resources Conservation Authority (Plastic Packaging Materials Prohibition) Order, 2024; (3 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The Natural Resources Conservation Authority (Plastic Packaging Materials Prohibition) Order, 2024 prohibits the manufacture and use of any single use plastic in commercial quantities. The Order updates the 'Single use plastics' to now include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. plastic food containers made wholly or in part of polyethylene, polypropylene or polylactic acid and prohibits their use, but does not apply:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• until the 11th day of July 2024, to the manufacture of plastic food containers; and• until the 9th day of January 2025, to the use of plastic food containers;2. cosmetic care or personal care products to which plastic microbeads or microplastics have been intentionally added.

<p>The Order does not apply to -</p> <p>(a) cosmetic care or personal care products—</p> <p>(i) to which plastic microbeads or microplastics have been intentionally added; and</p> <p>(ii) that were imported before the 1st day of July 2025; or</p> <p>(b) until the 1st day of July 2025 to cosmetic care or personal care products to which plastic microbeads or microplastics have been intentionally added</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of the environment</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <p>A notice of the Natural Resources Conservation Authority (Plastic Packaging Materials Prohibition) Order, 2024 appeared in The Jamaica Gazette Supplement - Proclamations, Rules and Regulations No. 144 on Thursday, July 11, 2024, with mandatory status.</p> <p>The Natural Resources Conservation Authority (Plastic Packaging Materials Prohibition) Order, 2018 that appeared in The Jamaica Gazette Supplement - Proclamations, Rules and Regulations No. 145 on Monday, December 24, 2018, is revoked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • G/TBT/N/JAM/124
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: 11 July 2024</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 9 January 2025 for plastic food containers</p> <p>1 July 2025 for the cosmetic care or personal care products to which plastic microbeads or microplastics have been intentionally added</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 30 August 2024</p>
<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) Regional & International Trade Branch Contacts: Ms Nadette Brown and Mrs Sherieka Satchell-Knight 6 Winchester Road Kingston 10 Tel: +(876)-618-1534; +(876)-632-4275 Email: tbtenquiry@bsj.org.jm Website: http://www.bsj.org.jm https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/JAM/24_04960_00_e.pdf</p>