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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: THAILAND

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Thai Food and Drug Administration Cosmetics and Hazardous Substances Control Division 88/24 Tiwanon Road, Mueang District, Nonthaburi 11000, Thailand

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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:

WTO/TBT Enquiry Point and Notification Authority

Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Ministry of Industry

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- 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): Hand sanitizer (HS code: 3808.94)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Notification of the Ministry of Public Health Re: Determining the Characteristics of Cosmetics Containing Alcohol for Hand Sanitizing Prohibited for Manufacture, Import, or Sale B.E. ...; (1 page(s), in Thai)
- **6. Description of content:** By the virtue of Article 5, Section One, Article 6 (1), and Article 6 (4) of the Cosmetic Act B.E. 2558 (2015), the Minister of Public Health hereby issued the (draft) Notification as follows:

The Notification of the Ministry of Public Health Re: Determining the Characteristics of Cosmetics Containing Alcohol for Hand Sanitizing prohibited for manufacture, import, or sale since March 9, B.E. 2563 (2020), is hereby repealed.

In this Notification, "alcohol" refers to ethyl alcohol (ethanol), isopropyl alcohol (isopropanol), and n-propyl alcohol (n-propanol), determined as an/the "active ingredient(s)" in cosmetics containing alcohol for hand sanitizing.

Cosmetics containing alcohol for hand sanitizing, with the purpose of cleaning hands without using water, which have a concentration of either ethanol, isopropanol, n-

propanol, or mixed together, less than 70% by volume or less than 65% by weight, are prohibited for manufacture, import, or sale.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health Re: Determining the Characteristics of Cosmetics Containing Alcohol for Hand Sanitizing Prohibited for Manufacture, Import, or Sale B.E. 2563 (2020) (Repealed)

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: On the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

- **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:

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