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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 17 October 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons: Management of Certain Hydrofluorocarbons and Substitutes Under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[X]	Notified measure published - date: 11 October 2024
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 10 December 2024
[X]	Text of final measure available from ¹ :
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/final_measure/24_06920_00_e.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from ¹ : New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from ¹ :
[]	Other:

Description: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is issuing regulations to implement certain provisions of the <u>American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020</u>. This rulemaking establishes an emissions reduction and reclamation program for the management of hydrofluorocarbons that includes requirements for leak repair and installation and use of automatic leak detection systems for certain equipment using refrigerants containing hydrofluorocarbons and certain substitutes; the servicing and/or repair of certain refrigerant- containing equipment to be done with reclaimed hydrofluorocarbons; the initial installation and servicing and/or repair of fire suppression equipment to be done with recycled hydrofluorocarbons, technician training, and recycling of hydrofluorocarbons prior to the disposal of fire suppression equipment containing hydrofluorocarbons; removal of hydrofluorocarbons from disposable cylinders before discarding them; and certain recordkeeping, reporting, and labeling requirements. In addition, EPA is

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establishing alternative <u>Resource Conservation and Recovery Act</u> standards for certain ignitable spent refrigerants being recycled for reuse.

This rule is effective 10 December 2024.

89 Federal Register (FR) 82682, $\underline{\text{Title 40}}$ Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts $\underline{84}$, $\underline{261}$, $\underline{262}$, $\underline{266}$, $\underline{270}$, and $\underline{271}$:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-10-11/html/2024-21967.htm

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This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking notified as <u>G/TBT/N/USA/2059</u> are identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0606. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0606/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.