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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>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2): State of California
2. Agency responsible: California Environmental Protection Agency, Air Resources Board, State of California [1383] 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 Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other: Technical Regulation - Local Government (Article 3.2), Conformity Assessment Procedure - Local Government (Article 7.2)
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Volatile Organic Compound limits Quality (ICS 03.120), Air quality (ICS 13.040), Domestic safety (ICS 13.120).
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Amendments to the Consumer Products Regulation (88 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: Amends rules to maintain the ozone air quality benefits and the benefits claimed in the State Implementation Plan that the VOC limit would achieve; provides compliance flexibility to manufacturers that would enable them to continue to offer effective products to consumers; achieves these objectives without significantly impacting compliance costs or increasing the cost of MPL products on the market.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of the environment;
8. Relevant documents: No. 14-Z, California Regulatory Notice Register, 6 April 2018 (pages 561-566): https://oal.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/28/2018/04/14z-2018.pdf California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 3, Chapter 1, Subchapter 8.5, Article 2, Sections, 94509, 94513, 94515: https://govt.westlaw.com/calregs/Browse/Home/California/CaliforniaCodeofRegulations?guid=I641A4820D60811DE88AEDDE29ED1DC0A&originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=Default&contextData=(sc.Default) Proposed Amendments to the Consumer Products Regulation and Method 310: https://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2018/cp2018/cp2018.htm

9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 21 May 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_2267_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/USA/18_2267_01_e.pdf