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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: <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:

Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle); State of California [2112]

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

- Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [X], 7.2 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Beverage containers; Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Recycling (ICS code(s): 13.030.50); Bottles. Pots. Jars (ICS code(s): 55.100); Cans. Tins. Tubes (ICS code(s): 55.120); Plastics (ICS code(s): 83.080)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** SB 1013 Addition of New Beverage Containers Informal Rulemaking Draft Rules and Workshop; (42 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** Proposed rule California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) held an informal public workshop on 18 December 2023 to solicit feedback from the public, the regulated community, and other interested persons for draft regulatory language to implement, make specific, and clarify <u>SB 1013</u>, Chapter 610, Statutes of 2022. At the public workshop CalRecycle will be presenting draft regulations implementing the SB 1013 law to add new beverages and new containers to the California Redemption Value (CRV) program effective on 1 January 2024. The public workshop will cover the following topics:
 - The addition of new container types for wine, distilled spirits, and coolers
 - Adding cancellation for new container types and 25-cent CRV
 - Labeling for new container types and machine-readable labeling
 - Postconsumer recycled plastic requirements and reporting for new container types
 - Processor and recycling center operational requirements for new container types
 - Manufacturer and distributor requirements under SB 1013

The Public Notice Website offers for download the SB 1013 Addition of New Beverage Containers Informal Rulemaking Workshop Presentation Slides: https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicNotices/Details/5299

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of the environment

8. Relevant documents:

Public Meeting Notice: SB 1013 Addition of New Beverage Containers Informal Rulemaking Workshop: https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicNotices/Details/5299

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the <u>USA TBT Enquiry Point</u>. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by <u>4pm Eastern Time</u> on 8 January 2024 will be shared with CalRecycle if received within the comment period.

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 8 January 2024

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/2024/TBT/USA/24 00037 00 e.pdf