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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety <b>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:</b>  Documents are available from the Ministry Food and Drug Safety website ( <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">www.mfds.go.kr</a> ).  Also available from:  International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety 187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdeok-gu, Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700 Republic of Korea Tel: (+82) 43 719-1564 Fax: (+82) 43-719-1550 Email: <a href="mailto:wtokfda@korea.kr">wtokfda@korea.kr</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [X], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Cosmetics
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Proposed amendments to the "Regulation on Safety Standards etc. of Cosmetics"
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The proposed amendments seek to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- establish detection limit and testing method for nickel (prohibited substance) unintentionally included;</li><li>- expand the using range of etidronic acid, Cetrimonium chloride, Steartrimonium chloride, and Behentrimonium chloride;</li><li>- add Chloroacetamide, Phenyl paraben, Phenyl salicylate which were deleted from the list of allowed cosmetic preservatives (G/TBT/N/KOR/693 etc.), to the negative list of cosmetic substances to make it clear that these substances are no longer allowed for use in cosmetics for safety reasons; and</li><li>- add a new testing method to measure the reducing agent content in hair straightening and perm wave products.</li></ul>
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Cosmetic safety

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> MFDS Notification No 2017- 441 (8.12.2017)
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 20 days from notification
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Division Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) 93, Isu-ro, Maengdong-myeon, Eumseong-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do Republic of Korea, 27737 Tel.: (+82) 43 870 5525 Fax: (+82) 43 870 5682 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tbt@korea.kr">tbt@korea.kr</a> Website: <a href="http://www.knowtbt.kr">http://www.knowtbt.kr</a>  <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/KOR/17_5507_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/KOR/17_5507_00_x.pdf</a>