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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>INDIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Government of India 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: Shri Deepankar Aron, Joint Secretary, Room No-341, A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428 Fax: 011-23073682 Email: jschem-cpc@gov.in
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): Vinyl Sulphone (HS Code - 29041090)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Vinyl Sulphone (Quality Control) Order, 2024; (1 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: Vinyl Sulphone is an organic chemical used in the production of reactive dyes. These dyes are used in the textile industry to colour fabrics. Vinyl Sulphone based reactive dyes are also used in paints, plastics, rubber, and pigments. The product is highly reactive due to the presence of its electrophilic sulphonyl group. This reactivity is exploited in the dyeing process where it reacts with nucleophilic groups on the textile fibres to form covalent bonds, resulting in excellent colour fastness. The locally manufactured or imported Vinyl Sulphone shall conform to the Indian Standard (IS 18340:2023) and shall bear the Standard Mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of Standard Mark is governed by the provisions of Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment
8. Relevant documents: Quality Control Order for making Indian Standard of Vinyl Sulphone - Specification (IS 18340:2023), as mandatory is enclosed.
9. Proposed date of adoption: Yet to be decided Proposed date of entry into force: Six month from date of adoption.
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: Shri Deepankar Aron, Joint Secretary, Room No-341, A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428 Fax: 011-23073682 Email: jschem-cpc@gov.in https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/IND/24_04869_00_e.pdf