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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>SWEDEN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: 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: National Board of Trade Box: 6803, 113 86 Stockholm, Sweden Telephone: +46 8 690 48 00 Fax: +46 8 30 67 59, Email: kommerskollegium@kommers.se Website: http://www.kommer.se
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Biofuels blended in petrol and diesel fuels.
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Law on blending obligations for biofuels (3 pages, in Swedish).
6. Description of content: The government's proposal contains a requirement that sustainable biofuels shall be blended into petrol and diesel fuels. In petrol fuels, the share of biofuels shall amount to at least 4.8 volume per cent from 1 May 2014. From 1 May 2015, the share shall amount to at least 7 volume per cent. In diesel fuels, the share of sustainable biofuels shall amount to at least 9.5 volume per cent, whereby at least 3.5 volume per cent shall consist of particular biofuels which are considered to have exceptional qualities, that is biofuels produced by waste, waste products, non-food products, cellulose and lignocellulose.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The purpose of the proposed law is to increase the share of biofuels in engine fuels. The rules are intended to achieve the goal of utilising renewable energy in the transport sector, in accordance with article 3 in Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC.
8. Relevant documents: Draft proposal, impact assessment
9. Proposed date of adoption: 1 May 2014 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 May 2014

10. Final date for comments: 23 September 2013.

11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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