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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>
If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [2030]

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 [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): Taconite iron ore processing emissions; Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Air quality (ICS code(s): 13.040); Mining equipment (ICS code(s): 73.100); Equipment for processing of minerals (ICS code(s): 73.120)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Taconite Iron Ore Processing Amendments; (18 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** Proposed rule The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Taconite Iron Ore Processing Plants, as required by the <u>Clean Air Act (CAA)</u>. To ensure that all emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAP) from sources in the source category are regulated, the EPA is proposing emission standards for mercury. In addition, the EPA is proposing to revise the existing emission standards for hydrogen chloride and hydrogen fluoride.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of the environment

8. Relevant documents:

88 Federal Register (FR) 30917, 15 May 2023; Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 63:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-05-15/html/2023-10068.htm

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This proposed rule is identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0664. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0664/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as

well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before 4pm Eastern Time on 29 June 2023. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with the regulator and will also be submitted to the Docket on Regulations.gov 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:** 29 June 2023; Comments must be received on or before 29 June 2023. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before 14 June 2023.
- 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/2023/TBT/USA/23 09779 00 e.pdf