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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

### Addendum

The following communication, dated 28 May 2025, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

**Title:** Methylene Chloride; Regulation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA); Compliance Date Extensions

Reason for Addendum:	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from <sup>1</sup> : Proposed rule; Compliance Date Extensions <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/modification/25_03587_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/modification/25_03587_00_e.pdf</a> New deadline for comments (if applicable): 26 June 2025
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**Description:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is proposing to extend the compliance date applicable to certain entities subject to the regulation of methylene chloride recently promulgated under the Toxic Substances Control Act ([TSCA](#)). Specifically, EPA is proposing to extend by 18 months the Workplace Chemical Protection Program ([WCPP](#)) and the associated recordkeeping compliance dates for laboratories that are not owned or operated by agencies or Federal contractors acting on behalf of the Federal government. Under this proposal, all laboratories, whether federal or not, would have the same compliance dates, which would be aligned with current compliance dates for Federal agencies and Federal contractors. EPA is proposing to extend the compliance dates for associated laboratory activities detailed in this proposal to avoid disruption of important functions such as the use of environmental monitoring methods needed for cleanup sites and wastewater treatment, as well as activities associated with university laboratories. The use of environmental

<sup>1</sup> This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

monitoring methods, a common function of non-federal laboratories, is important to EPA's mission to ensure that the air is safe to breathe, water is safe for drinking or recreating, and disposal activities protect the environment.

Comments must be received on or before 26 June 2025.

90 Federal Register (FR) 22214, 27 May 2025; [Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) Part 751](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-05-27/html/2025-09421.htm>

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This and previous actions notified under the symbol [G/TBT/N/USA/1988](#) are identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2020-0465. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2020-0465/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](#). Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by [4pm Eastern Time](#) on 26 June 2025 will be shared with EPA and will also be submitted to the [Docket](#) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

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