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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:** EUROPEAN UNION **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):**
2.	**Agency responsible:** European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu Website: https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home
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 codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Cosmetics
5.	**Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):** Amending Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use in cosmetic products of certain substances, including those classified as carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction.; (18 page(s), in English) **Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:** https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_03531_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/EEC/26_03531_01_e.pdf European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu The text is available on the Website: https://technical-barriers-trade.ec.europa.eu/en/home
6.	**Description of content:** The draft measure is required to enact the prohibition to use, as cosmetic substances classified as carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction (CMR) by Commission Regulation (EU) No 2025/1222 (*OJ L, 2025/1222, 20.6.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2025/1222/oj*), which has been adopted based on the CLP Regulation and will apply from 1 February 2027. The amendment of the Cosmetics Regulation is, therefore, needed to transpose the new CMRs classification provided by Commission Regulation (EU) No 2025/1222. In addition, the draft Regulation also introduces restrictions and prohibitions concerning several cosmetic substances following the latest scientific assessments by the Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS). The draft Regulation notably:

	• prohibits Benzophenone-1, Benzophenone-2, Basic Brown 16, Basic Blue 99 and prostaglandin analogues following SCCS conclusions that they are not safe for use in cosmetic products; • introduces or updates existing restrictions for Butylated Hydroxyanisole (BHA), Butylparaben, Cannabidiol (CBD) and Hydroxyapatite (nano) for which safe use could only be demonstrated by the SCCS under specific conditions; and • removes existing ban derogations for mercury-containing preservatives.
7.	**Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health or safety
8.	**Relevant documents:** Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on Cosmetic Products (*OJ L 342, 22.12.2009, p. 59-209*) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1415977955828&uri=CELEX:32009R1223 Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/1222 of 2 April 2025 amending Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the harmonised classification and labelling of certain substances *OJ L, 2025/1222, 20.6.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2025/1222/oj*
9.	**Proposed date of adoption:** 4th quarter 2026 **Proposed date of entry into force:** 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU.
10.	**Provision of comments** **Final date for comments:** 6 September 2026 **[X] 60 days from notification** **Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:** European Commission, EU-TBT Enquiry Point, Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43, E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu