NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** JAPAN  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry  **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:** |
| **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):** Central air conditioners  Gas engine heat pump air conditioners  Facility air conditioners  Automobile air conditioners  Refrigerator and freezer combined units for commercial use |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revision or legislation of the Ministerial ordinance and Notifications under the Act on the Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons.; (2 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Establishment of the criteria under the Act on the Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons, i.e., the Global Warming Potential (hereinafter "GWP") targets which the products listed in item 4 must satisfy, and the fiscal year targets by which the above GWP targets must be satisfied. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** To rationalize and reduce the use of fluorocarbons by accelerating innovation with regard to the reduction of the environmental impacts of fluorocarbons used in each designated product and promoting a shift to and dissemination of non-fluorocarbon products which have low global warming potential. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  - Act on the Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons (Act No. 64 of 2001);  <https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/ja/laws/view/3236>  - This revision is to be publicized in the Official Government Gazette "Kampo" when adopted;  - Progress report on the legislation of the Cabinet Order under the Act on Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons compiled by the Industrial Structure Council's working group (only in Japanese);  <https://www.meti.go.jp/shingikai/sankoshin/seizo_sangyo/kagaku_busshitsu/flon_taisaku/index.html> |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** March 2023  **Proposed date of entry into force:** March 2023 (Except for labelling requirements in October 2023.) |
| **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:**  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku  Tokyo 100-8919 Japan  TEL: +(81)3 5501 8344  FAX: +(81)3 5501 8343  E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/JPN/22_8409_00_e.pdf> |