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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 August 2025, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Title: Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons: Review and Renewal of Eligibility for Application-Specific Allowances

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[]	Notified measure adopted - date:
[X]	Notified measure published - date: 26 August 2025
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 25 September 2025
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	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/final_measure/25_05691_00_e.pdf
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:
	Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from ¹ :
	New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from¹:
[]	Other:

Description: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing, pursuant to the statutory framework established in the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020 (AIM Act), the eligibility of six applications to continue to receive priority access to allowances to produce or import hydrofluorocarbons. In this final rule, EPA establishes the framework for how EPA interprets the statutory criteria for assessing whether to renew the eligibility of applications to receive application-specific allowances and sets out determinations to renew or not renew each of the six applications that currently receive application-specific allowances. EPA is also finalizing revisions to the Technology Transitions regulations relevant to the specific applications under review, a procedural process for submitting a petition to designate a new application as eligible for priority access to allowances, the methodology used to allocate allowances to application-specific allowance holders for calendar years 2026 and beyond, and limited revisions to existing regulations. In addition, EPA

¹ 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.

is authorizing an entity to produce regulated substances for export. Lastly, EPA is finalizing certain regulatory confidentiality determinations for newly reported information.

This rule is effective on 25 September 2025.

90 Federal Register (FR) 41676, 26 August 2025; <u>Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 84</u>:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-26/html/2025-16357.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-26/pdf/2025-16357.pdf

This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking notified as <u>G/TBT/N/USA/1735/Rev.1</u> are identified by Docket Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2024-0196. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OAR-2024-0196/document and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.