NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Bahrain  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Bahrain Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSDM)  **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:**  Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Tourism  Kingdom of Bahrain  P.O. Box 5479  Tel.: +973 17574871 Fax: +973 17530730  E-mail: [bsmd@moic.gov.bh](mailto:bsmd@moic.gov.bh). Web site: <http://www.moic.gov.bh> |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X ], 2.10.1 [****], 5.6.2 [****X ], 5.7.1 [****], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Ethylene polymers & Polypropylene polymers for the conveyance or packing of goods, not designed for prolonged use. This includes degradable, biodegradable and oxo degradable single-use plastic products. ICS codes: 83.140.99; HS codes: 392321, other codes may also apply to the proposed measure. |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Technical Regulation on Degradable plastics products (20 page(s), in Arabic) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Tourism with Supreme Council for Environment are in process to establish a National Technical Regulation (TR) to phase out import, sale or distribution of non-degradable plastic products. The proposed TR sets all the requirements in terms of specifications, licences, labeling scheme, economic operators obligations, and other requirements for the products subject to TR. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Increase and promote the Protection and safety of animal or plant life or health in the Kingdom of Bahrain. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Draft Technical Regulation for Degradable Plastics Products |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** Generally six months after publication in the Official Gazette |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** |