Regulations for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement

(Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No. 1 of March 30, 2001)

In accordance with the provisions of Article 5, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (Act No. 86 of 1999), the Regulations for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement is established as follows.

(Terms)

Article 1 The terms used in this order are the same as the terms used in the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (referred to below as the "Act") and the Order for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (Cabinet Order No. 138 of 2000; referred to below as the "Order").

(Method of Calculating the Release Amount of Class I Designated Chemical Substances)

Article 2 The method of calculating the release amount of the class I designated chemical substance referred to in Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act are as follows. In this case, the release amount of a class I designated chemical substance is to be calculated based on the amount of a specific class I designated chemical substance when a specific class I designated chemical substance (excluding dioxins), the amount converted by using the method prescribed in Article 3 of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins (Order of the Prime Minister's Office No. 67 of 1999) when a dioxin, and the amount of a class I designated chemical substance when a class I designated chemical substance other than specific class I designated chemical substances:

(i) the calculation method based on the amount of the relevant class I designated chemical substance changing during the manufacturing process, the use, or other handling process of the class I designated chemical substance, etc.;

(ii) the calculation method based on the measurement results of the amount or concentration of the class I designated chemical substance contained in the released emissions (meaning substances released into the environment; the same applies below in this Article) from the relevant place of business;

(iii) the calculation method using a formula which is found to precisely indicate the relationship between the numerical value of the amount of manufacture, the amount of use, or the other amount of a class I designated chemical substance being handled, etc. and the release amount of the relevant class I designated chemical substance;

(iv) when it is found that the amount or concentration of the relevant class I designated chemical substance contained in the released emissions from the relevant place of business may be precisely estimated based on calculation using vapor pressure, the degree of solubility, or other numerical value of the physical and chemical properties of the class I designated chemical substance, the calculation method based on the amount or concentration of the class I designated chemical substance contained in the released emissions that is estimated by using that calculation method; and

(v) in addition to what is stated in the preceding items, any method which is found to precisely calculate the amount of the class I designated chemical substance released into the environment from the relevant place of business.

(Method of Calculating the Amount Transferred Outside of Class I Designated Chemical Substances)

Article 3 The method for calculating the amount transferred outside of a class I designated chemical substance, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act, are as follows. In this case, the amount of a class I designated chemical substance transferred outside is to be calculated based on the amount of a specific class I designated chemical substance regarding a specific class I designated chemical substance (excluding dioxins); the amount converted by using the method specified in Article 3 of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins regarding dioxins; and the amount of a class I designated chemical substance regarding a class I designated chemical substance other than specific class I designated chemical substances:

(i) the calculation method based on the amount of the relevant class I designated chemical substance changing during the manufacturing process, use, or other handling of that class I designated chemical substance, etc.;

(ii) the calculation method based on the measurement results of the amount or concentration of the class I designated chemical substance, contained in waste generated in the relevant place of business;

(iii) the calculation method using a mathematical formula which is recognized to precisely indicate the relationship between the numerical value of the amount of manufacture, the amount of use, or the other amount of a class I designated chemical substance being handled and the amount of the class I designated chemical substance contained in the waste generated in the relevant place of business;

(iv) when it is found that the amount or concentration of the relevant class I designated chemical substance contained in the waste generated in the relevant place of business may be precisely estimated based on calculating the degree of solubility or other numerical value of the physical and chemical properties of the class I designated chemical substance, the calculation method based on the amount or concentration of the class I designated chemical substance contained in the waste that is estimated by using that calculation method; and

(v) in addition to the method stated in the preceding items, any method which is found to precisely calculate the amount of the class I designated chemical substance transferred outside the relevant place of business in conjunction with the disposal of waste relating to those business activities.

(Assessment of the Release Amount and Amount Transferred Outside)

Article 4 The assessment of the release amount of class I designated chemical substances and amounts transferred outside under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act are to be carried out pursuant to the provisions of the following items:

(i) the following matters are to be assessed at each place of business:

(a) the release amount and amount transferred outside of class I designated chemical substances handled in the course of trade at the relevant place of business during the fiscal year (including those contained in the products handled in the course of trade during that fiscal year (meaning the products prescribed in Article 2, paragraph (5), item (i) of the Act; the same applies in (b)) while specific class I designated chemical substances are excluded), and in which the amount of class I designated chemical substance is one ton or more (referred to as the "class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment" in (f));

(b) the release amount and amount transferred outside of specific class I designated chemical substances handled in the course of trade in the relevant place of business during the fiscal year (including those contained in the products handled in the course of trade during that fiscal year), and in which the amount of specific class I designated chemical substance is 0.5 ton or more (referred to as the "specific class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment" in (f));

(c) in the case of a place of business where a facility specified by the Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry referred to in Article 13, paragraph (1) of the Mine Safety Act (Act No. 70 of 1949) has been established (limited to the place of business owned by a person engaged in the business type of which type is stated in Article 3, item (i) or (ii) of the Order); the release amount of class I designated chemical substances that is subject to the standards referred to in Article 19, item (ii), and Article 20, item (ii) of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Mine Safety Act (Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 96 of 2004) released from the relevant facility;

(d) in the case of a place of business where a final sewage treatment facility has been established; the following matters:

1. The release amount of class I designated chemical substances from the relevant facility that are subject to water quality inspections based on the provisions of Article 21, paragraph (1) of the Sewerage Act (Act No. 79 of 1958) (including as applied mutatis mutandis pursuant to the provisions of Article 25-30 of that Act);

2. The release amount of class I designated chemical substances subject to measurement based on the provisions of Article 18-35 of the Air Pollution Control Act (Act No. 97 of 1968) from the relevant facility;

(e) in the case of a place of business has established a municipal waste management facility specified in Article 8, paragraph (1) of the Act on Waste Management and Public Cleaning (Act No. 137 of 1970) or an industrial waste management facility specified in Article 15, paragraph (1) of that Act (simply referred to as a "management facility" in (f)) (limited to the place of business owned by a person engaged in the business type falling under the type stated in Article 3, item (xx) or (xxi) of the Order); the following particulars:

1. the release amount of class I designated chemical substances from the relevant facility, that is subject to water quality inspections based on the provisions of Article 1, paragraph (2), item (xiv), (c) of the Order to Specify the Technical Standards for Final Municipal Waste Disposal Sites and Final Industrial Waste Disposal Sites (Order of the Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Health and Welfare No. 1 of 1977) (including the cases that are to be governed by those provisions pursuant to the provisions of Article 2, paragraph (2), item (iii) of that Order);

2. the release amount of dioxins from the relevant facility (limited to those that are subject to water quality inspection pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, item (iii), (b) of the Order to Specify the Standards for Operation and Maintenance of Final Waste Disposal Sites Under the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins (Order of the Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Health and Welfare No. 2 of 2000));

3. the release amount of class I designated chemical substances from the relevant facility, that is subject to measurement under the provisions of Article 14, paragraph (1) of the Water Pollution Prevention Act (Act No. 138 of 1970);

4. the release amount of class I designated chemical substances subject to measurement based on the provisions of Article 18-35 of the Air Pollution Control Act, from the relevant facility;

(f) in the case of a place of business where a management facility has been established (limited to the place of business where a management facility to treat the wastes generated in another place of business (limited to those places of business that have a class I designated chemical substance falling under a class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment, or a specific class I designated chemical substance falling under specific class I designated chemical substances subject to assessment; referred to below as the "other specified place of business" in (f)) owned by the business operator who owns that relevant place of business has been established); the following matters:

1. the release amount of class I designated chemical substances subject to water quality inspection under the provisions of Article 1, paragraph (2), item (xiv), (c) of the Order to Specify the Technical Standards for Final Municipal Waste Disposal Sites and Final Industrial Waste Disposal Sites (including the cases that are to be governed by the provisions pursuant to the provisions of Article 2, paragraph (2), item (iii) of that Order) (limited to those which falls under any class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment, or those which falls under the specific class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment which is in the other specified place of business, if wastes generated in the other specified place of business are disposed of in that relevant place of business; referred to as the specific class I designated chemical substance subject to assessment in 2.) from that facility; and

2. the release amount of the specific class I designated chemical substance subject to measurement from the facility, based on the provisions of Article 14, paragraph (1) of the Water Pollution Prevention Act;

3. The release amount of class I designated chemical substances subject to measurement based on the provisions of Article 18-35 of the Air Pollution Control Act (Act No. 97 of 1968) from the relevant facility ;

(g) in the case of a place of business where a specified facility specified in Article 2, paragraph (2) of the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins (Act No. 105 of 1999) (simply referred to as the "specified facility" in (h)) has been established; the release amount of dioxins and transferred outside from that facility;

(h) in the case of a place of business where a final disposal site prescribed in the part not included in items of Article 1 of the Order to Specify the Criteria for Operation and Maintenance of Final Disposal Sites under the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins (simply referred to below as the "final disposal site" in (h)) has been established (limited to the place of business where a final disposal site to dispose the wastes generated in a specified facility which has been established in a place of business owned by the business operator who owns the relevant place of business has been established); the release amount of dioxins from that final disposal site;

(ii) for release amount, each of the following categories of the release amount is to be assessed:

(a) those released into the air

(b) those released into public water areas;

(c) those released into the soil in the relevant place of business (excluding those stated in (d)); and

(d) landfill disposal in the relevant place of business;

(iii) for amount transferred outside, each of the following categories of the amount transferred outside is to be assessed:

(a) those transferred to a sewage system; and

(b) those transferred outside the relevant place of business (excluding those stated in (a)).

(Methods of Notification)

Article 5 (1) The notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act must be made by submitting a written notice prepared in accordance with Form 1 no later than June 30 of each fiscal year; provided, however, that if it is difficult to make the notification by submitting the relevant written notice by that due date because of a disaster or any other unavoidable grounds, the notification must be made by submitting it by the deadline set by the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Minister of the Environment, and the Minister of Defense, taking into consideration of those grounds.

(2) The notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act concerning a place of business operating in two or more business types, must be made to the minister having jurisdiction over the principal business of the relevant place of business.

(Matters to be Included in the Notification)

Article 6 The matters specified by Order of the competent ministry prescribed in Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act are as follows:

(i) the name and domicile, and if it is a corporation; the name of its representative;

(ii) the name and location of the place of business;

(iii) the number of regular employees at the place of business;

(iv) the business type of the business operated at the place of business belonging to; and

(v) the name of the class I designated chemical substance whose release amount and amount transferred outside was assessed pursuant to the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act, as well as the release amount and amount transferred outside for each category of class I designated chemical substance specified in Article 4, items (ii) and (iii).

(Category Corresponding to the Chemical Substance)

Article 7 The category corresponding to the chemical substance referred to in Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act is provided for in the left-hand column of the Appended Table, and the class I designated chemical substance classified into their respective categories are as provided for in the right-hand column of that Table, respectively.

(Methods to Request for Changes to the Category Corresponding to the Chemical Substance)

Article 8 (1) The request referred to in Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act must be made by submitting a written request in accordance with Form 2, and a document certifying the facts concerning the particulars specified in the annex to the written request, together with the written notice prepared in accordance with Form 1, no later than June 30 of each fiscal year; provided, however, that if it is difficult to make the request by submitting the relevant written request by that due date because of a disaster or any other unavoidable grounds, the request must be made by submitting it by the due date set by the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Minister of the Environment, and the Minister of Defense, taking into consideration of those grounds .

(2) The request referred to in Article 6, paragraph (8) of the Act must be made by submitting a written request in accordance with Form 3, and a document certifying the facts concerning the matters specified in the annex to the written request, no later than June 30 of each fiscal year; provided, however, that if it is difficult to make the request by submitting the relevant written request by that due date because of a disaster or any other unavoidable grounds, the request must be made by submitting it by the due date set by the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Minister of the Environment, and the Minister of Defense, taking into consideration of those grounds.

(3) The request referred to in Article 6, paragraphs (1) and (8) of the Act concerning the place of business operating in two or more business types, must be made to the minister having jurisdiction over the respective business.

(The Method by Which Prefectural Governors Request an Explanation)

Article 9 When a prefectural governor intends to request an explanation pursuant to the provisions of Article 7, paragraph (5) of the Act, the governor must make a request by submitting a document containing the following matters to the competent minister:

(i) the name of the business operator, the name of the place of business and the category corresponding to the chemical substance concerning the matters for which an explanation is requested;

(ii) the content of the explanation requested to the competent minister; and

(iii) the reasons for requesting an explanation.

(When Fees May Be Paid in Cash)

Article 10 The cases specified by the Order of the competent ministry as prescribed in Article 8, paragraph (2) of the Order are cases in which the competent minister has issued a public notice in the Official Gazette, indicating the fact that fees are payable in cash at the office, and the location of that office in which those fees are paid in cash.

(Method of Notification Using an Electronic Data Processing System)

Article 11 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1), a person who intends to file a notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act by using the electronic data processing system specified in Article 4 of the Regulation for Enforcement of the Act on the Advancement of Government Administration Processes That Use Information and Communications Technology Concerning Laws and Regulations Under the Jurisdiction of the Relevant Administrative Organ (Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No. 1 of 2004) pursuant to the provisions of Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act on the Advancement of Government Administration Processes That Use Information and Communications Technology (Act No. 151 of 2002) must enter the information to be recorded in the notification form for release amounts, etc. which is available from a file stored in a computer designated by the competent minister (referred to as a "designated computer" in Article 13, paragraph (1), item (i)) by using a computer that conforms to the technical standards specified by the competent minister (limited to the computer used by the person who intends to file the notification).

(Advance Notification)

Article 12 (1) A person who intends to file a notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act by using the electronic data processing system referred to in the preceding Article, must submit a written notice prepared in advance, in accordance with Form 4, to the prefectural governor.

(2) When the prefectural governor receives the notification referred to in the preceding paragraph, the governor is to notify the relevant person who filed the notification of their identification number and security number.

(3) When any of the notified matters have been changed, or the person has discontinued using the electronic data processing system, the person who has filed the notification referred to in paragraph (1) must promptly state to that effect in a written notice prepared in accordance with Form 5, and notify the prefectural governor.

(4) When a prefectural governor finds it inappropriate for the person who filed the notification referred to in paragraph (1) to continue using the electronic data processing system, the governor may suspend the use of that electronic data processing system.

(Notification Methods by Using Magnetic Disks)

Article 13 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1) and Article 8, paragraphs (1) and (2), a person who intends to file a notification, etc. by using a magnetic disk pursuant to the provisions of Article 9 of the Order must file that notification by submitting a magnetic disk in which the matters stated in the following items are recorded according to the categories of persons stated in the respective items, and a magnetic disk submission slip prepared in accordance with Form 6:

(i) a person who intends to file a notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act: the matters to be recorded in the notification form for release amounts, etc. which is available from a file stored on the designated computer;

(ii) a person who intends to file the request referred to in Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act: the matters to be recorded in that request form for the change in the category corresponding to the chemical substance which is available from a file stored on the computer concerning its use by the competent minister (referred to as the "computer being used" in the following item); and

(iii) a person who intends to file a request under the provisions of Article 6, paragraph (8) of the Act: the matters to be recorded in the request form for maintenance of the category corresponding to chemical substances, which is available from a file stored on the computer being used.

(2) In the case referred to in the preceding paragraph, a person specified in item (ii) or (iii) of that paragraph must submit the recorded magnetic disk referred to in that paragraph on which the information certifying the facts concerning the matters pursuant to item (ii) or (iii) of that paragraph is recorded, or submit the documents certifying those facts, to the competent minister.

Supplementary Provisions

(1) This order comes into effect on the date in which the Act comes into effect, as specified in Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act in Article 1, item (iii) of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act; provided, however, that the provisions of Article 5 and Article 6 come into effect on the date in which the Act comes into effect, as specified in Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act in that item.

(2) During the period until two years have passed from the date on which this order comes into effect, the term "1 ton" in Article 4, item (i), (a) is to be replaced with "5 tons".

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No. 1 of January 11, 2002] [Extract]

This order comes into effect on the date of enforcement of the provisions stated in Article 1, item (iii) of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (excluding the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1)) (January 12, 2002).

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No.1 of January 31, 2003] [Extract]

This order comes into effect on the date in which the Act on Use of Information and Communications Technology in Administrative Procedures comes into effect (February 3, 2003).

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No. 1 of March 26, 2004] [Extract]

This order comes into effect on March 29, 2004.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Cabinet Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the Ministry of the Environment No. 1 of March 22, 2005] [Extract]

This Order comes into effect as of April 1, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of April 1, 2010] [Extract]

(Effective Date)

(1) This Ministerial Order comes into effect on April 1, 2010.

(Transitional Measures)

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the Regulation for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement revised by this Ministerial Order, regarding the notification to be made in fiscal year 2010 pursuant to the provisions of Article 5, paragraph 2 of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement, prior provisions continue to apply.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of July 1, 2015] [Extract]

This Ministerial order comes into effect on the date in which the Act Partially Amending the Flood Control Act and Related Acts comes into effect.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of June 28, 2019] [Extract]

This Ministerial order comes into effect as of the date on which the Act Partially Amending the Unfair Competition Prevention Act and Related Acts comes into effect (July 1, 2019).

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 2 of December 13, 2019] [Extract]

This Ministerial order comes into effect as of the date on which the Act Partially Amending the Act on the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Administrative Procedures to Improve the Convenience of the Relevant Persons Involved in Administrative Procedures, and to Promote Simplification and Efficiency of Administrative Operation through Utilization of Information and Communications Technologies and Related Acts comes into effect.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of June 12, 2020] [Extract]

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date of promulgation.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 2 of December 28, 2020] [Extract]

(Effective Date)

Article 1 This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date of promulgation.

(Transitional Measures)

Article 2 (1) A document that is used in accordance with the format before amendment by this Ministerial Order (referred to as the "former format" in the following paragraph) and that exists at the time of enforcement of this Ministerial Order is deemed to be a document in accordance with the format amended by this Ministerial Order.

(2) A form following the former format before the enforcement of this Ministerial Order may be used by amending the relevant sections of the form until otherwise provided for by laws and regulations.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of March 31, 2022] [Extract]

(Effective Date)

(1) This Ministerial Order comes into effect on April 1, 2023; provided, however, that the amendment provisions of Article 4, and the provisions of the immediately following paragraph and paragraph 4 of the Supplementary Provisions come into effect on the date of promulgation.

(Transitional Measures)

(2) The provisions of Article 4, item (i), (d), 2., (e), 4., and (f), 3. of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and Promotion of Management Improvement amended by this Ministerial Order (referred to below as the "Enforcement Regulations") do not apply to the assessment of the released amount and the amount transferred outside of a class I designated chemical substance under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Act on the Assessment of the Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and Promotion of Management Improvement (referred to below as the "Act") in fiscal year 2021.

(3) The provisions of Form 1 of the Enforcement Regulations apply to the notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act on and after fiscal year 2024, and the provisions of the Appended Table of the Enforcement Regulations apply to the request related to the relevant notification under the provisions of Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act on and after fiscal year 2024, and prior laws and regulations continue to govern the notification under the provisions of Article 5, paragraph (2) of the Act and any request related to the notification under the provisions of Article 6, paragraph (1) of the Act in fiscal year 2023.

(Temporary Measures Related to Methods of Notification)

(4) During the period from fiscal year 2022 through fiscal year 2024, the term "no later than June 30" in Article 5, paragraph (1) of the Enforcement Regulation is to be replaced with "no later than June 30 (no later than July 31 if the notification is made by using the electronic data processing system specified in Article 11 pursuant to the provisions of that article)."

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, the Ministry of the Environment, and the Ministry of Defense No. 1 of December 28, 2023] [Extract]

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date of promulgation.

Appended Table (Re: Article 7)

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| Category corresponding to the chemical substance | Class I designated chemical substances which belong to the categories in the left-hand column |
| Category 1 (Inorganic compounds and organometallic compounds) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (i), (xlviii), (li), (lxii), (xci), (xcvii), (xcix), (cv), (cxi), (cxii), (clvi), (clxiv), (cclxxii), (cclxxiv), (cclxxvi), (cclxxvii), (cclxxix) through (cclxxxi), (cclxxxiii), (cccxi), (cccxiv), (cccliii) through (ccclv), (ccclxi), (ccclxiii), (ccclxxv), (ccclxxviii), (ccclxxix), (cdxiv), (cdxliv), (cdxlv), (cdlviii), (cdlxv), (dv), and (dviii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 2 (Acyclic hydrocarbons and halogenated acyclic hydrocarbons ) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (liv), (lxxxix), (xc), (cxx), (cxxix), (cxxx), (cxxxvii), (cxxxviii), (cxlvii), (cl), (cli), (cliv), (clxxi), (clxxxi) to (clxxxiii), (clxxxvii), (clxxxix), (cxc), (ccii), (cciv), (ccvi), (ccvii), (ccxii), (ccxiii), (ccxxxv), (ccxxxvi), (ccxxxviii), (ccc), (ccci), (ccciv), (cccxxiii) through (cccxxvi), (cccxxx), (cccxxxi), (cccxxxvii), (cccxliii), (cccxciii), (cdxx), (cdxxiii), (cdxxiv), (cdxxvii) through (cdxxix), (cdxxxvi), (cdxxxix), and (cdxlii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 3 (Acyclic Hydrocarbons with of amine, nitro, alcohol, ether, aldehyde, or ketone structures) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xii), (xv), (xvii), (xxi), (xxviii), (xxix), (xxxiv), (xxxvii) through (xli), (lxvii), (lxxv) through (lxxix), (lxxxvi) through (lxxxviii), (xciv), (cvii), (cix), (clxvi), (clxx), (ccv), (ccxxiv), (ccxlv), (ccxlviii) through (ccl), (cclii), (ccliii), (cclxvii), (ccxciv), (cccvii), (cccxv), (cccxvi), (cccxx) through (cccxxii), (cccxxvii), (cccxxxv), (cccxxxviii), (cccxxxix), (cccxli), (ccclx), (ccclxii), (ccclxiv), (ccclxv), (cdxv), (cdxvi), (cdxxxi), (cdxxxiv), (cdlx), (cdlxiv), (cdlxxii), (cdlxxxi), (cdxc), (di), and (div) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 4 (Acyclic hydrocarbons with carboxylic acids or its derivatives ) | Class I designated chemical substances in items (ii) to (xi), (xiii), (xiv), (xviii), (xxxii), (xxxiii), (xxxv), (xxxvi), (lxi), (lxxx), (xcviii), (cxxiii), (clvii) through (clx), (clxii), (ccxxxvii), (ccxlii), (ccxlvii), (cclxiv), (cccv), (cccviii), (cccxvii), (ccclvi), (ccclxviii), (ccclxxvi), (cd), (cdxxxvii), (cdxlvi), (cdlxvi), (cdlxviii), (cdlxix), (cdlxxiv), (cdlxxxiv), and (cdxciv) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 5 (Other acyclic hydrocarbons ) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xlvi), (lxxxi), (lxxxii), (c), (cviii), (clxxiv), (ccxxi), (ccxxii), (ccxxv), (ccxli), (ccliv), (cclxxxiv), (ccxcvii), (cccix), (cccxviii), (cccxlviii), (ccclxx), (ccclxxi), (ccclxxvii), (ccclxxx), (cdxix), (cdxxxv), (cdxlvii), (cdlxiii), (cdlxxi), (cdlxxix), (cdlxxx), (dvi), (dvii), (dx) through (dxii), and (dxv) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 6 (Monocyclic hydrocarbons and halogenated monocyclic hydrocarbons) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (lxxiii), (ciii), (cvi), (cxlix), (ccviii), (cclxxv), (cccxxxii), (cccxlii), (cccxlvii), (cdxlviii), (cdl), (cdlii), and (cdlxxxii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 7 (Monocyclic hydrocarbons with amine, nitro or azo structures) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xx), (xliv), (lxx), (cxiii), (cxviii), (cxix), (cxxiv), (cxxv), (clxxx), (cxcvii), (cc), (ccxxvii), (ccxxix), (cclx), (cccxxxvi), (cccxlvi), (ccclvii) through (ccclix), and (cccxc) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 8 (Monocyclic hydrocarbons with alcohol, ether, aldehyde, or ketone structures) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xxiv), (xxv), (xxxi), (xlii), (xliii), (lvii), (lviii), (lxxxiv), (lxxxv), (xcv), (ci), (cii), (cx), (cxxvii), (cxlvi), (clxiii), (cci), (ccxxviii), (ccxxxii), (ccxl), (ccxcv), (cccxxix), (ccclxxxi), (ccclxxxvii), (cccxci), (cdx) through (cdxii), (cdxlix), (cdli), (cdlvii), (cdlxi), (cdlxii), and (cdxcix) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 9 (Monocyclic hydrocarbons and alicyclic monocyclic hydrocarbons with carboxylic acids, sulfuric acids, nitrogen acids, carbonic acids, cyanic acids or their derivatives ) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xlv), (xlvii), (lii), (liii), (lvi), (lx), (lxv), (lxxii), (xciii), (cxxxix), (cxlviii), (clxi), (clxviii), (clxxvi), (clxxviii), (clxxix), (clxxxviii), (cxci), (ccxi), (ccxiv), (ccxvi), (ccxlvi), (cclxiii), (cclxvi), (cclxxi), (ccxcviii), (ccciii), (cccvi), (cccxii), (cccxiii), (cccxl), (cccxlv), (cccl), (ccclxxxii), (cccxcii), (cccxciv) to (cccxcvii), (cdi), (cdiii), (cdv), (cdvi), (cdxiii), (cdxvii), (cdxxxviii), (cdliii), (cdlxvii), (cdlxxiii), (cdlxxvii), (cdlxxxv), (cdxciii), (cdxcv), (cdxcvi), (d), and (dii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 10 (Other monocyclic hydrocarbons) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (lxviii), (lxix), (cxcii), (ccxix), (ccxxxiv), (cclvii), (cclxx), (cclxxxv), (cclxxxix), to (ccxci), (cdiv), (dix), (dxiii), and (dxiv) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 11 (Polycyclic hydrocarbons) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xix), (xlix), (l), (lv), (lix), (lxiii), (cliii), (clxv), (clxxvii), (clxxxvi), (ccxvii), (ccxliv), (cclvi), (cclxv), (cclxxiii), (cccx), (cccxxxiv), (cccli), (ccclii), (ccclxxxiii), (ccclxxxviii), (cdix), (cdxl), (cdlvi), (cdlix), (cdlxxvi), (cdlxxxvi), (cdxcii), (cdxcvii), and (cdxcviii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 12 (Heterocyclic compounds of three-to five-membered rings) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xxiii), (xxx), (lxxiv), (cxvii), (cxxii), (cxxvi), (cxxviii), (cxxxi) to (cxxxiii), (cxxxvi), (cxliv), (cxlv), (clii), (clxix), (clxxv), (clxxxiv), (clxxxv), (cxciii) to (cxcvi), (cxcviii), (cciii), (ccix), (ccx), (ccxviii), (ccxx), (ccxxx), (ccxxxi), (ccxxxiii), (ccxxxix), (ccli), (cclviii), (cclix), (cclxi), (cclxii), (cclxxxviii), (ccxcix), (cccii), (cccxxxiii), (cccxliv), (ccclxxxv), (ccclxxxix), (cdii), (cdvii), (cdviii), (cdxviii), (cdxxi), (cdxxvi), (cdxli), (cdxliii), (cdliv), (cdlv), (cdlxxv), (cdlxxxvii), (cdlxxxix), and (cdxci) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |
| Category 13 (Other heterocyclic compounds) | Class I designated chemical substances stated in items (xvi), (xxii), (xxvi), (xxvii), (lxiv), (lxvi), (lxxi), (lxxxiii), (xcii), (xcvi), (civ), (cxiv) to (cxvi), (cxxi), (cxxxiv), (cxxxv), (cxl) to (cxliii), (clv), (clxvii), (clxxii), (clxxiii), (cxcix), (ccxv), (ccxxiii), (ccxxvi), (ccxliii), (cclv), (cclxviii), (cclxix), (cclxxviii), (cclxxxii), (cclxxxvi), (cclxxxvii), (ccxcii), (ccxciii), (ccxcvi), (cccxix), (cccxxviii), (cccxlix), (ccclxvi), (ccclxvii), (ccclxix), (ccclxxii) to (ccclxxiv), (ccclxxxiv), (ccclxxxvi), (cccxcviii), (cccxcix), (cdxxii), (cdxxv), (cdxxx), (cdxxxii), (cdxxxiii), (cdlxx), (cdlxxviii), (cdlxxxiii), (cdlxxxviii), and (diii) of Appended Table 1 of the Order |