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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

His Excellency Manasvi Srisodapol Embassy of Thailand 1024 Wisconsin Avenue, NW Washington , DC 20007

Subject: Notice of Export of Methylene chloride to THAILAND

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Section 12(b) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires any person who exports or intends to export a chemical substance or mixture from the United States to notify the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) of such exportation if any of the following actions have been taken under TSCA with respect to that chemical substance or mixture:

- 1) Information is required under TSCA section 4 or 5(b),
- 2) An order has been issued under TSCA section 5,
- 3) A rule has been proposed or promulgated under TSCA section 5 or 6, or
- 4) An action is pending, or relief has been granted under TSCA section 5 or 7.

In turn, TSCA section 12(b) requires the U.S. EPA to notify importing governments of the availability of the required information submitted to the U.S. EPA under the applicable TSCA section 4 or 5(b) action or notify the importing government of the applicable TSCA section 5, 6, or 7 action or relief. See 15 U.S.C. 2611(b) and the U.S. EPA's TSCA section 12(b) regulations at Title 40, Part 707, Subpart D of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), for details concerning the TSCA section 12(b) export notification procedures.

The U.S. EPA previously received a notice regarding a chemical substance or mixture exported from the United States to your country. This chemical substance or mixture is currently subject to TSCA section 12(b) export notification because it is subject to one of the actions listed above.

Information specific to the chemical being exported to your country is as follows:

On January 19, 2017, EPA issues a proposed section 6 rule for Methylene chloride. In this rule, EPA is proposing to prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution in commerce of methylene chloride for consumer and most types of commercial paint and coating removal under section 6 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

Should you prefer that notice of this type be provided to an official or agency of your government other than you, please provide us with the appropriate name and address.

Additional information concerning these regulations and chemical can be found online at http://www.epa.gov/tscaimport-export-requirements/tsca-requirements-exporting-chemicals or by contacting me at 202-594-7295 or Avery.Keith@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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