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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

Party to Agreement notifying: AUSTRIA 2. Agency responsible: Federal Ministry for Environment, Youth and Family Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other: 3. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Chemicals Ordinance of the Federal Minister of the Environment, the Youth and the Family Amending the Chemicals Ordinance 6. Description of content: The use of biological testing systems for the classification of dangerous chemicals is restricted to cases of absolute necessity because of the complete lack of other sufficient data or other testing methods; special declaration codes for chemicals containing chlorine or cadmium are enacted; the validity of the regulations concerning the classification of dangerous preparations of solvents is extended until 31 December 1992; new combined declaration codes concerning the risks of dangerous substances are enacted; the main substances list of the Chemicals Ordinance is adapted according to corresponding amendments in the guideline 67/548/EEC. 7. Objective and rationale: Adaption of the Austrian Chemicals Ordinance to corresponding regulations of the European Communities 8. Relevant documents: 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 10. Final date for comments: 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: