

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (421)
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Bottled water
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Quality Standard for Foods With No Identity Standards; Bottled Water (8 pages)
6.	Description of content: The Administration is proposing to revise its bottled water quality standard to establish or modify the allowable levels for 5 inorganic chemicals and 18 synthetic organic chemicals, including 3 synthetic volatile organic chemicals, 9 pesticide chemicals, and 6 non-pesticide chemicals.
7.	Objective and rationale: In response to a rule-making by the Environmental Protection Agency that established maximum contaminant levels for the 5 inorganic chemicals and 18 synthetic organic chemicals and deferred establishing a maximum contaminant level for sulphate in public drinking water.
8.	Relevant documents: 58 FR 41612, 4 August 1993; 21 CFR Part 103. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: The Agency is proposing that any final rule that may be issued based upon this proposal become effective 180 days after the date of publication of the final rule in the Federal Register.
10.	Final date for comments: 4 October 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: