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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Notifying Member: CHINA
 - If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

Ministry of Ecology and Environment of the People's Republic of China

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
- 4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): In-service ships (HS code(s): 840999); (ICS code(s): 13.040.50)
- 5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): National standard of the People's Republic of China "Limits and Measurement Methods for Exhaust Smoke from Ships"; (13 page(s), in Chinese)

Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/CHN/25 07866 00 x.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The emission of black smoke from ships severely pollutes the environment in port areas and endangers the health of nearby residents. This standard addresses the issue of black smoke emitted by in-service ships during navigation and mooring due to improper maintenance, inappropriate diesel engine selection, and operational factors. This standard specifies the acceptable levels of black smoke emissions from ships.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment
- 8. Relevant documents:

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Proposed date of adoption: 90 days after circulation by the WTO SecretariatProposed date of entry into force: 6 months from adoption

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 15 December 2025

[] 60 days from notification

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

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