NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Switzerland**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Drinking water |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****X]** **All trading partners**: Areas polluted with perchlorate and being source for water for Switzerland**[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:**  |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** FDHA Ordinance on Drinking Water and Water in Public Baths and Shower Facilities (DWBSO).**Language(s):** German, French and Italian. **Number of pages:** 2<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CHE/19_4514_00_x.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CHE/19_4514_00_f.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CHE/19_4514_01_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** A maximum limit for perchlorate in water (drinking water) is established. It is set at 4 µg/l. Reason for this is health protection of consumers. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:****[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X]** **None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[ ]****Yes [ ]****No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 19 March 2020**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 April 2020 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 May 2020**[ ]****Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 25 October 2019**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECOSpecial Foreign Economic ServicesNon-Tariff Measures DivisionHolzikofenweg 36, 3003 BernSwitzerlandE-mail: sps@seco.admin.ch |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECOSpecial Foreign Economic ServicesNon-Tariff Measures DivisionHolzikofenweg 36, 3003 BernSwitzerlandE-mail: sps@seco.admin.ch |