International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR) ICCR-12 Stakeholder Session on July 11, 2018

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As the current Chair of the International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR), I am writing to you on behalf of the five ICCR regulatory members (Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (ANVISA), Health Canada, European Commission, the Japan Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration) and would like to know your intention to participate in the Stakeholder Session of ICCR-12 meeting.

ICCR was founded in 2007 as an international forum for exchanging ideas that could possibly lead to convergence among four jurisdictions in the field of regulation of cosmetics products. The purpose of the multilateral framework on the ICCR is to pave the way to minimize regulatory obstacles to international trade while maintaining global consumer protection. There have been 11 previous ICCR annual meetings, and as Chair, MHLW is hosting the meeting this year. (More information is available on the ICCR website: http://www.iccr-cosmetics.org/)

Each ICCR conference provides an opportunity for regulators to share information and discuss issues of mutual concern, to meet with industry and be updated on progress of various ICCR Working Groups, to solicit input from various stakeholders, and to develop a work-plan for the following year. The five regulatory members have decided to seek possibility to hold Stakeholder Session at this year's meeting to provide an opportunity to learn about the initiative, and to have discussions with relevant stakeholders who may have common issues involving cosmetics. The Stakeholder Session is scheduled to be held in the late afternoon on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 in Tokyo, Japan.

Given the limited availability of seats, we will not be able to accept more than two representatives from each interested association or organization. For logistical purposes, we would be grateful if you would inform us of the information about who (name, affiliation, phone, email) will attend via email (<u>iccr12@mhlw.go.jp</u>). In order to better prepare for the meeting, we ask that you inform us of your interest no later than Friday, May 18, 2018. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact ICCR-12 Secretariat (Mr. Fumihito Takanashi at +81-3-3595-2431 or the email address above).

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