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RE: T0205 Products Containing Mercury Effective Date of Regulation

Dear Lighting Business Section Members,

In June of this year, The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) had provided notice that the products containing mercury regulation amendment was targeted for publication as early as October 2023 and could become effective as of December 31, 2023. This caused concerns from manufacturers & distributors considering supply chain challenges and the willfulness to act in compliance.

Electro Federation Canada sought confirmation of implementation date with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada and was informed that December 31, 2023, will not be the effective date for the amended regulations. The final amendments will be published in the Canada Gazette, Part II between January and June 2024.

As the amendments are being finalized, ECCC cannot commit to providing a minimum of 12 months lead time to enforce the prohibitions once the final amendment is published. The Ministry does comprehend and acknowledge the need for a reasonable delay to allow for the industry to adapt to the new requirements.

Further updates will be provided as soon as we learn of any new information.

Sincerely yours,

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