SUB-SECTION 2

Good regulatory practices

ARTICLE 18.4

Internal coordination

Each Party shall maintain internal coordination processes or mechanisms to foster good regulatory practices, including those provided for in this Section.

ARTICLE 18.5

Regulatory processes and mechanisms

Each Party shall make publicly available descriptions of the processes and mechanisms under which its regulatory authority prepares, evaluates and reviews its regulatory measures. Those descriptions shall refer to relevant guidelines, rules or procedures, including those regarding opportunities for the public to provide comments.

ARTICLE 18.6

Early information on planned regulatory measures

The regulatory authority of each Party shall make publicly available at least once a year a list of its planned major[1] regulatory measures, together with a brief description of their scope and objectives, including, if available, the estimated timing for their adoption. Alternatively, if the regulatory authority of a Party does not make such a list publicly available, that Party shall provide annually, and as soon as possible, the Committee on Regulatory Cooperation established pursuant to Article 22.3 with the list together with the brief description. That list together with the brief description, with the exception of information designated as confidential, may be made publicly available by the regulatory authority of each Party.

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1 The regulatory authority of each Party may determine what constitutes "major" regulatory measures for the purposes of its obligations under this Section.