

**Comments from the Government of the United States (USG) on Uruguay's WTO
Notification G/TBT/N/URY/103.**

“Draft Resolution No. 07/24 - MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on food-grade post-consumer recycled polyethylene terephthalate (PET) (food-grade PCR PET) containers intended to be in contact with food (repeal of Common Market Group (GMC) Resolution No. 30/07)”

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The United States appreciates the opportunity to comment on Uruguay's “Draft Resolution No. 07/24 - MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on food-grade post-consumer recycled polyethylene terephthalate (PET) (food-grade PCR PET) containers intended to be in contact with food (repeal of Common Market Group (GMC) Resolution No. 30/07),” notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO) Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) and distributed on 26 February 2025 under the symbol G/TBT/N/URY/103.

The United States offers the following for consideration.

Article 5 references the incorporation of this resolution into the legal systems of the state parties but does not provide a time frame. Could Uruguay please provide more information on when this resolution will come into effect?

Annex 4.1 requires that establishments “have control procedures for the process of obtaining food grade PET- that allow its traceability”. Could Uruguay please provide more information on what type of control procedures will be allowed? Further, could Uruguay please clarify what stages of the production of PET-PCR will require traceability?

Uruguay is an important market for U.S. exports. The United States appreciates Uruguay's consideration of these comments and looks forward to receiving a response.