



## Minutes

**Title of meeting** Update on the TPD2 notification requirements for tobacco and related products, between PHE and Japan Tobacco International

**Date** 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

**Time** 14:00pm to 14:45pm

**Venue** By Skype, in Switzerland and UK

**Attendees** PHE [REDACTED], [REDACTED] (Chair)

[REDACTED], [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], [REDACTED]

JTI [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], [REDACTED]

1.	<p><b>Welcome and introductions</b></p> <p>[REDACTED] welcomed attendees to the meeting and reminding attendees that PHE is bound by Article 5.3 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and as such a note of the meeting will be published.</p>	ALL
2.	<p><b>Notification requirements for tobacco and related products sold in the UK</b></p> <p>The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the requirement for all cigarettes available to the UK market domestic, travel and retail sector, to be tested for tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide (TNCO). The sampling procedure for such products was discussed, as was the process for identifying genuinely "unique" products. The UK's accredited laboratory requests manufacturers' to provide samples for each cigarette with a unique Tobacco Product ID (TP-ID) as notified on the EU Common Entry Gateway. A group of products under the same brand, may meet the same specification and deliver the same TNCO emissions, however due to alternative place of manufacturing or a slightly different 'Bill of Materials' would require a unique TP-ID. It was agreed that PHE would discuss with the UK's accredited laboratory laboratory about a revision to the process for testing, whereby they would recognise batching of products under the same brand in order to reduce 2 duplication of testing, whilst also ensuring that all live products are tested annually. PHE to discuss with EU Commission and Member States about the process for grouping together tobacco products (possibility by linking TP IDs, which are essentially the same in composition, brand and emissions, differing only in place of manufacture or similar.</p>	ALL
3.	<p><b>Sampling</b></p> <p>[REDACTED] questioned whether there was any discussions taking place to update the sampling schedule or methods for cigarettes. [REDACTED] responded that these were made following the appropriate ISO standards and that these were not negotiable by individual member states.</p>	

Meeting closed at 14:45pm.