



## **APRIL 16, 2024**

## **INSIDE THIS ISSUE**

 South Korea Publishes Recycled Content Labeling Requirements

## **General Issues of Interest to the CCB:**

## South Korea Publishes Recycled Content Labeling Requirements

- On April 11, South Korea published <u>Ministry of Environment Ordinance No. 1087</u>, partially amending the <u>Enforcement Rules of the Act on Saving and Recycling Promotion of Resources</u> (in Korean) to define the recycled material content thresholds for labeling a product or packaging's compositional percentage of recycled raw material usage (*BCI Monitors 4-4-23, 3-12-24*).
- Of interest to CCB and based on machine translation, the amendment includes the following:
  - Article 1-2 is added to the Enforcement Rules, establishing the scope of recycled raw materials and their associated definitions.
  - Article 23-3 was updated to define the thresholds at which labeling may indicate the percentage of recycled raw material content in a product. Food grade polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottles and other products and containers must be made up of at least 10% recycled material to indicate its recycled content percentage. Appendix 12 was also added to the *Enforcement Rules*, displaying the various thresholds established in Article 23-3 in a chart format.
- The <u>Standards and Methods for Indicating the Percentage of Recycled Raw</u>
  <u>Materials Used</u> (in Korean) were published alongside <u>Ordinance No. 1087</u>. These
  standards define the labeling design requirements such as font size and style for
  indicating percentage of recycled materials used in a product.
- Ordinance No. 1087 and the Standards published alongside it entered into force upon the date of publication.

A REPORT FOR THE CALIFORNIA CHERRY BOARD

Bryant Christie Inc. - Seattle

1418 Third Avenue, Suite 300

Seattle, WA 98101

Phone: (206) 292-6340 Fax: (206) 292-6341

Bryant Christie Inc. - Sacramento

2005 "I" Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95811

Phone: (916) 492-7062 Fax: (916) 492-7061