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Report Highlights:

This report is an index of major agricultural product import regulations and standards translated and published by the Office of Agriculture Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing through December 2012. Updates include changes to food laws, labeling requirements, packaging and container requirements, food additive regulations, multiple commodity regulations, commodity specific regulations, and import procedures.

Executive Summary

China continued to streamline its regulatory system for imported food and agricultural products over the past year and upgrade the domestic food safety regime according to provisions of the 2009 Food Safety Law. The government also published new administrative measures to regulate imports and updated its food and agricultural standards. This report captures the key standards and provisions that relate to imported products destined for the Chinese market and notes changes or modifications to existing standards.

Some of the key changes in 2012 include the registration of overseas food manufacturing facilities, registration of foreign food exporters and domestic food importers for traceability reasons, and consolidation/updating of national food safety standards under the 2009 Food Safety Law. <u>Changes</u> since the last Working Index in 2009 are noted with an asterisk "*" and are in red font.

Report Format

This report is the China Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards (FAIRS) Working Index. It is a working index of all regulations and standards pertaining to food and agricultural imports that have been translated by the Office of Agriculture Affairs of the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. Each regulation and standard is now contained in a separate report on the GAIN system. These reports can be accessed on the Foreign Agricultural Service web site at "www.fas.usda.gov" under the Attaché Reports section. Readers can search for reports of interest by name or document number (CHXXXX).

Please note that these translations are UNOFFICIAL and should be used as guidelines only. Exporters are advised to thoroughly discuss all regulatory and implementation details with their Chinese customers, and to keep in mind that the Chinese regulatory system is not always predictable. Many regulations are short on detail, and interpretations can differ from port to port and from government ministry to ministry.

The date next to the report is the publication date of the translated Chinese version. For answers to specific questions, U.S. exporters are encouraged to contact any of the FAS offices in China, or the Foreign Agriculture Service in Washington, DC. Contact Information can be found on the following page.

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Section I. Food Laws:

*Grain Law (draft for public comments) – CH12023

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Grain%20Law%20(draft%20for%20public%20comments)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-6-2012.pdf

Translated version: February 21, 2012

On February 2012, the Government of China (GOC) issued the Grain Law (currently a draft) and an explanatory notice for the legislation. According to the explanatory notice, safeguarding national grain security is the fundamental purpose of the Grain Law. The draft law applies to grains, edible vegetable oil, and oilseeds, as well as the production, distribution, and consumption of these commodities. It also defines the roles and responsibilities for different administrative departments in managing grain production, processing, trade, reserves, and market information dissemination. For some of these areas, the law does not provide any details on implementation, which may be formulated later by other relevant government agencies.

Final Food Safety Law Implementation Measures – CH9066

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Final\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Law\%20Implementation\%20Measures_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_8-14-2009.pdf$

Translated version: July 20, 2009

On July 20, 2009, China's National People's Congress (NPC) Standing Committee passed the first comprehensive Food Safety Law (FSL) after five years of drafting; the first draft was read in December 2007. The FSL went into effect on June 1, 2009. On April 24, the State Council published the first set of implementation regulations related to the new law (CH9040). Following a public comment period, the final implementation regulations were published on July 20, 2009 to go into force immediately. Many other regulations and implementing measures have been released following the publication of the final food safety law (CH9019). The following reports touches on various measures relating to trade that have been released as unofficial English translations from the Office of Agricultural Affairs Beijing: Food Safety Law and its implementation regulations (CH9018, CH9019, CH9040), Ministry of Health draft regulations (CH9051) and quarantine regulations on import food and feed (CH9065). Neither the Food Safety Law nor any associated regulations have been notified to the World Trade Organization.

MOH Circular on Food Safety Law - CH9078

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOH%20Circular%20on%20Food%20Safety%20Law_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-28-2009.pdf

Translated version: June 5, 2009

The Ministry of Health issued -Circular on the Relevant Issues on Implementation of the Food Safety Law. The circular provides general instruction to relevant government organizations on executing the new law.

Food Safety Law-CH9019

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200903/146327461.pdf

Translated version in February 2009

China's National People's Congress (NPC) Standing Committee passed the first comprehensive Food Safety Law (FSL) after five years of drafting; the first draft was read in December 2007. The FSL will go into effect on June 1, 2009. For the first time, the Chinese Government uses Western terminology in calling for food safety regulation "from the production line to the dining table." Key organizational provisions create a state-level Food Safety Commission to oversee food-safety monitoring. Other key provisions deal with supervision, monitoring, enforcement, recall, trace back, licensing, registration, and development of standards and regulations. A complete analysis of this law is provided in GAIN Report CH9018.

Law on Farm Product Quality and Safety – CH6095

Translated version: April 29, 2006

The National People's Congress (NPC) approved and issued the law on "Farm Product Quality and Safety" in April 2006 and it took effect November 1, 2006. In a bid to eliminate systematic food safety concerns, this law outlines food product quality and safety responsibilities for each level of government. The new legislation also emphasizes that all producers that market a product, even small farmers, must meet basic Chinese food safety and quality criteria. The law relates to all existing standards and technical regulations, but focuses on clarifying inspection and enforcement responsibilities.

Section II. Labeling Requirements:

* General Standard for the Labeling of Food Additives (Draft)

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Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, the Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the General Standard for the Labeling of Food Additives (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/480. This standard applies to the labeling of "food additives" sold by retail or by non-retail, including labels and instructions. It does not apply to flavoring substances.

*National Food Safety Standard- Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses (Draft) - CH 12081

Translated version: August 27, 2012

On August 27, 2012, Ministry of Health issued the National Food Safety Standard- Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses (Draft) for public comments. The New standard replaces GB 13432-2004 "General Standards for Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses", and main changes include: Definition of special dietary foods is revised, fundamental requirements are revised, partial requirements for labeling contents are revised, and appendix A of the 2004 standard is deleted.

*General Rules for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods - CH11030

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/General\%20Rules\%20for\%20the\%20Labeling\%20of\%20Prepackaged\%20Foods_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_5-25-2011.pdf$

Translated version: May 13, 2011

On May 13, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site National Food Safety Standard on General Rules for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods to be adopted on April 20, 2012. These Rules prescribe the basic requirements for the labeling of pre-packaged foods. They apply to the labeling of all pre-packaged foods directly or indirectly offered to consumers. A draft version of these rules was notified to the WTO on April 20, 2010 as TBT/N/CHN/733.

Nutrition Labeling – CH10022

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Nutrition%20Labeling Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-5-2010.pdf

Translated version: April 21, 2010

On April 21, 2010, China notified the WTO of the National Food Safety Standard for Nutrition Labeling of Prepackaged Foods as TBT/N/CHN/734. This measure -prescribes the basic principles and requirements for the nutrition labeling and claims on pre-packaged foods directly offered to consumers. This standard applies to the description and explanation of nutrition information on nutrition labeling of pre-packaged foods.

Follow-up: On October 12, 2011, Ministry of Health issued the National Food Safety Standard for Nutrition Labeling of Prepackaged Foods (GB 28050-2011).

Feed Labeling Requirements – CH9083

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Feed\%20Labeling\%20Requirements_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_10-15-2009.pdf$

Translated version: August 24, 2009

On August 24, 2009, AQSIQ made Announcement 372, providing instruction on the implementation of AQSIQ Decree No. 118 (Supervision and Management Measures for the Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives). Decree 118 was published as GAIN report CH9071 and Announcement 372 released as CH9083. These regulations went into force on September 1. This report contains Annex 1 to the Announcement 372, outlining labeling requirements for feeds and feed additives exported to China. The original Chinese version is at the following address: http://dzwjyjgs.aqsiq.gov.cn/rdgz/200908/t20090828 125350.html

National Standard for Labeling of Flavorings-CH9043

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/General\%20Requirement\%20for\%20the\%20Labeling\%20of\%20}{Flavorings_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_9-25-2009.pdf}$

WTO announcement- TBT/N/CHN/571

Translated version on March 27, 2009

This standard specifies the requirements for the labeling of flavorings and the contents that should be marked. By reference to GB 7718-2004 General Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods and Measures for the Hygienic Administration of Food Additives, the drafters suggest that this standard was created on the basis of the practice of the flavoring industry.

China Streamlines Food Label Approval Process – CH6020

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) released Announcement No. 44 2006, "Adjustment of Import/Export Food and Cosmetic Label Examination System." As of April 1, 2006, the Announcement eliminates the need for a separate, preliminary examination and approval of labels used on imported and exported foods and the fee associated with that review. The label will be approved as part of CIQ's other inspection responsibilities at the port of entry.

DRAFT National Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Alcoholic Beverages - CH5006

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/72 from January 10, 2005

Translated version: January 10, 2005

China notified its DRAFT National Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Alcoholic Beverages (GB10344). This Standard replaces the previous edition from 1989. The Standard applies to alcoholic beverages with alcohol content between 0.5 percent and 60 percent alcohol content by volume; including fermented alcoholic beverages, distilled spirits, blended alcoholic beverages.

Ag GMO Labeling - Refer to GAIN Report CH2002

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/139

Requirements for Ag GMO Labeling are contained within the Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms Implementation Measures CH2002.

Section III. Packaging and Container Regulations:

Requirements of Restricting Excessive Packaging for Foods and Cosmetics

WTO announcement- G/TBT/N/CHN/447

Translated version on September 1, 2008

This national standard applies to the sale of packaged foods and cosmetics. It specifies the restrictions on excessive packaging of foods and cosmetics, as well as the calculation methods for determining permitted packaging, including the requirements for spacing ratio, packaging layer and package cost. This standard has gone through many previous revisions and was originally reported on as GAIN report CH7054.

Hygienic Standard for melamine-formaldehyde products used as food containers and packaging materials-CH9049 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347824.pdf

Translated version in June 2009

The standard sets forth the requirements for raw materials, hygienic requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging, transportation, and storage for melamine-formaldehyde products. It applies to melamine-formaldehyde products used as food containers, packaging materials, and food industry equipment and instruments that are processed from melamine-formaldehyde resin.

General Rule for Restricting Excessive Packaging (draft for comment) – CH7054

Translated version: January 25, 2005

The Standardization Administration of China (SAC) recently published a draft national standard for public comment. With a stated aim of protecting consumers and using resources in an efficient manner, the proposed standard on the General Rule for Restricting Excessive Packaging regulates packaging practices. Some of the packaging practices reference in the rule include the number of package layers and interspace ratio. Importantly, only one section of this rule (Clause 5.1.1) is mandatory.

Revised MB Treatment Requirements for Entry/Exit Wood Packaging Material - CH6058

Translated version: July 31, 2006

On July 31, 2006, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published its Announcement 2006 No. 105 on the revised methyl bromide (MB) fumigation requirements for entry/exit wood packing. The new regulation mandated a longer fumigation period and a higher dosage.

Quarantine and Supervision Administration Measures for the Importation of Wood Packaging Material (SPS/42) – CH6051 Translated version: December 31, 2005

AQSIQ announced Decree No. 84 – Quarantine and Supervision Administrative Measures for the Importation of Wood Packaging Materials (WPM). Measures are consistent with internationally recognized standards, namely the International Plant Protection Convention's (IPPC), "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (ISPM-

Entry Wood Packing Materials - CH5014

Translated version: January 31, 2005

AQSIQ, Customs, MOFCOM, and SFA published this as Joint Announcement 2005 No. 11 entailing the requirements of entry wood packing material. The new regulations are scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2006. A draft of the decree was first circulated for comments on December 8, 2003 through the World Trade Organization, see announcement G/SPS/N/CHN/42. Article 2 of these final measures indicates AQSIQ will separately announce the phytosanitary treatment measures.

Section IV. Food Additives Regulations:

- *National Food Safety Standards for Uses of Food Additives Part I CH11037
- *National Food Safety Standards for Uses of Food Additives Part II CH11038

Translated version: August 2, 2010

On August 2, 2010, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on National Food Safety Standard - Standards for Uses of Food Additives as G/SPS/N/CHN/308. The standard (GB2760-2011) specifies the principles for application of food additives, allowed food additive varieties, scope of application, and maximum level or residue levels. The final version was published on April 20, 2011 and implemented on June 20, 2011.

*National Food Safety Standard on Methanol

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Methanol%20%20%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Methanol as SPS/N/CHN/507. This standard applies to food additive methanol made from coal, natural gas, light oil or heavy oil. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive methanol.

*National Food Safety Standard on Polyethylene Resin

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Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Polyethylene Resin as SPS/N/CHN/482. This standard applies to polyethylene resin made of ethylene homopolymer and copolymers of ethylene and olefin used for food containers and packaging materials. This standard stipulates technical requirements and packaging requirements of polyethylene resin used for food containers and packaging materials.

* National Food Safety Standard on Polypropylene Resin

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Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Polypropylene Resin as SPS/N/CHN/483. This standard applies to polypropylene resin made of propylene homopolymer and copolymers of propylene and olefin used for food containers and packaging materials. This standard stipulates technical requirements and packaging requirements of polypropylene resin used for food containers and packaging materials.

*National Food Safety Standard on Sodium Ferrocyanide

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Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Sodium Ferrocyanide as SPS/N/CHN/485. This standard applies to food additive sodium ferrocyanide made from sodium cyanide and ferrous sulfate or ferrum reductum, sodium hydroxide and hydrogen cyanide. It specifies the scope, technical requirements and testing methods for food additive sodium ferrocyanide.

* National Food Safety Standard on Vegetable Activated Carbon

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Vegetable %20Activated%20Carbon%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Vegetable Activated Carbon (Wooden Activated Carbon) as SPS/N/CHN/495. This standard applies to food additive vegetable activated carbon (wooden activated carbon) made from plant materials such as sawdust, coconut shells, and nutshells through physical or chemical method.

*National Food Safety Standards on Calcium

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20on%20Calcium%20%20%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Calcium Cyclamate as SPS/N/CHN/501. This standard applies to food additive calcium cyclamate, which is made from chemical combination of cyclohexylamine and sulfamic acid, and then reacts with calcium hydroxide. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive calcium cyclamate.

*Food Additive Erythritol

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Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Erythritol as G/SPS/N/CHN/360. The standard specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for the food additive erythritol. The adoption date of the standard was May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythritol (GB 26404-2011), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

*Food Additive Lutein

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Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Lutein as G/SPS/N/CHN/359. The standard applies to lutein obtained from marigold (Tages erecta L.). It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive lutein. The adoption date of the standard is May 15, 2011. Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Lutein (GB 26405-2011)), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

*Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin

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Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin as G/SPS/N/CHN/358. The standard applies to powdered food additive sodium copper chlorophyllin obtained by adding copper to the product obtained by the saponification of a solvent extraction of mulberry leaf or dung of silk worms. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for sodium copper chlorophyllin. The adoption date of the standard is May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin (GB 26406-2011)), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

*Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroguinone (TBHQ)

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Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroquinonoe (TBHQ) as G/SPS/N/CHN/357. The standard specifies the technical requirements and testing

methods for food additive TBHQ. It came into force on May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) (GB 26403-2011)), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

*China to ban the use of benzovl peroxide in flour on May 1-CH11011

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/China%20to%20ban%20the%20use%20of%20benzoyl%20peroxide%20in%20flour%20on%20May%201 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 3-4-2011.pdf
Translated version: March 1, 2011

On March 1, 2011, the Ministry of Health published on its web site a joint statement officially revoking, as of May 1, 2011, the approval of benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide as food additives, and prohibiting the use of these additives in flour processing. Flour and flour products produced before this date using benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide may be sold through their expiry dates.

On October 24, 2007, China notified to the WTO a proposed rule banning the use of benzoyl peroxide in wheat flour as G/SPS/N/CHN/103. On December 15, 2010, the Ministry of Health published an announcement soliciting domestic comments on a proposed rule to ban benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide in flour processing beginning December 31, 2011.

* Administrative Measures on New Food Additive Varieties (Final) - CH11007

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On April 22, 2010, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site the Administrative Measures on New Food Additive Varieties (Final) for adoption on March 30, 2010. The Measures replaced the Administrative Measures on Food Additive Hygiene issued by the Ministry on March 28, 2002.

*National Food Additive Standard-Potassium Iodate (Draft) - CH10049

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-

Potassium%20Iodate_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf

WTO notification: G/SPS/N/CHN/309.

Translated version: August 4, 2010

This standard applies to food additive potassium iodate, which is used as iodine reinforcement in edible salt processing. This standard prescribes its quality specification and testing methods

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Potassium iodate, which was put into force on May 15, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsidi/s7891/201103/51024.htm

*Guidelines for the Use of Flavorings - CH10048

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/306 Translated version: August 4, 2010

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Iodine%20Content%20in%20Edible%20Salt_Beijing_China%20 -%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf

On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Guidelines for Use of Flavorings as G/SPS/N/CHN/306. This guideline prescribes the use of flavoring in food.

National Food Safety Standard – Trisodium Phosphate – CH10039

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<u>Trisodium%20Phosphate Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-14-2010.pdf</u>

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Trisodium Phosphate as SPS/N/CHN/243. This measure applies to the technical requirements and characterization of the food additive Trisodium Phosphate. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Trisodium Phosphate (GB 25565-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard – Sodium Hypochlorite - CH10040

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

Sodium%20Pypochlorite Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-14-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Sodium hypochlorite as SPS/N/CHN/253. This measure applies to the definition and characteristics of the food additive Sodium Hypochlorite. It also specifies the testing methods to detect this chemical.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sodium Hypochlorite (GB 25574-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard - Stabilized Chlorine Dioxide Solution - CH10041

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

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Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Stabilized Chloride Dioxide Solution as SPS/N/CHN/259. This measure applies to the definition and characterization of the food additive Stabilized Chloride Dioxide Solution. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Stabilized Chlorine Dioxide Solution (GB 25580-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Additive Standard – Sulfur – CH10026

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-

%20Sulphur_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-20-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Sulphur" as SPS/N/CHN/249. This measure - applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of food additive sulphur. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sulphur (GB 3150-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Additive Standard - Fumaric Acid - CH10027

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-

Fumaric%20Acid_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-21-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Fumaric Acid" as SPS/N/CHN/284. This measure -applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive fumaric acid. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

National Food Additive Standard – Sucralose – CH10028

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/National\%20Food\%20Additive\%20Standard-100Food\%20Additive\%20Food\%20Additive\%20Standard-100Food\%20Additive\%20Standard-100Food\%20Additive\%20Standard-100Food\%20Additive\%20Additive\%20Standard-1$

Sucralose Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-21-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Sucralose" as SPS/N/CHN/208. This measure -applies to the technical requirements and testing methods for sucralose.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sucralose (GB 25531-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Additive Standard - Polydextrose - CH10029

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-

Polydextrose_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-20-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Polydextrose" as SPS/N/CHN/219. This measure - applies to food additive polydextrose obtained by melting and condensation of the ingredients of glucose, sorbitol and citric acid. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive polydextrose •

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Polydextrose (GB 25541-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Additive Standard – Malic Acid – CH10030

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-%20DL-malic%20acid Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-20-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - DL-Malic Acid" as SPS/N/CHN/282. This measure -applies to the technical requirements and testing methods for sucralose.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive DL-Malic Acid (GB 25544-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard - New Red - CH10032

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

New%20Red_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-2-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010 China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – New Red as SPS/N/CHN/278. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive new red.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive New Red (GB 14888.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard - Amaranth - CH10033

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety\%20Standard\%20-publications/National\%20Food\%20Safety$

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Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Amaranth as SPS/N/CHN/275. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive amaranth. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Amaranth (GB 4479.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard – Erythrosine – CH10034

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%20Erythrosine Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-2-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Erythrosine as SPS/N/CHN/276. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive erythrosine. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythrosine (GB 17512.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Additive Standard – Potassium Chloride – CH10035

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

Potassium%20Chloride_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-2-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Potassium Chloride as SPS/N/CHN/264. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive potassium chloride. It

specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Potassium Chloride (GB 25585-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard – Sunset Yellow – CH10036

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

Sunset%20Yellow Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-2-2010.pdf

Translation version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Sunset Yellow as SPS/N/CHN/274. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive sunset yellow. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sunset Yellow (GB 6227.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

National Food Safety Standard – Erythrosine Aluminum Lake – CH10037

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

Erythrosine%20Aluminum%20Lake_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-2-2010.pdf

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Erythrosine Aluminum Lake as SPS/N/CHN/277. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive Erythrosine Aluminum Lake. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 201, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythrosine Aluminum Lake (GB 17512.2-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

Food Additive Registration

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Food\%20Additive\%20Registration \ Beijing \ China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_5-12-2010.pdf$

Translated version: March 10, 2010

On March 10, 2010, China's Ministry of Health published "Order No. 73: Measures for Administration of New Food Additives." These measures were "formulated for the purpose of reinforcing administration of new food additives in accordance with the Food Safety Law." This measure went into force on March 10, the date of its publication.

National Standard of Flavorings-CH9039

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200905/146347789.pdf

WTO announcement- TBT/N/CHN/575

Translated version on March 27, 2009

This standard specifies the requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marks, packing, transport, storage and shelf-life of flavorings.

National Standard for Enzyme Preparations Used in Food Processing (Draft)-CH9008

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Hygienic\%20Standard\%20for\%20Enzyme\%20Preparations\%20}{Used\%20in\%20Food\%20Processing Beijing China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic%20of 9-25-2009.pdf}$

WTO announcement- G/SPS/N/CHN/112

Translated version on January 5, 2009

The standard specifies the requirements for raw materials, contaminants, micro-organisms, and antimicrobial activity for enzyme preparations in food processing. Upon adoption, this will be a mandatory standard.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health published the National Food Safety Standard of Enzyme Preparations Used in Food Processing (GB 25594-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard can be found at:

http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm

Food Additive Xylitol – CH5007

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/77 from January 10, 2005

Translated version: January 10, 2005

China announced GB13509 Food Additive Xylitol to the WTO TBT Committee in order to solicit comments from trading partners. Once finalized this Standard will replace the previous edition from 1992. The draft text indicates the Standard adopts the fourth edition of the American Food Chemicals Codex.

Section V. Pesticides and Other Contaminants:

*Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticide in Food

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/313

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Residue%20Limits%20for%20Pesticide%20in%20Food Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 11-2-2010.pdf

Translated version: September 21, 2010

On September 21, 2010, China's Ministry of Agriculture notified the WTO of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticide in Food as G/SPS/N/CHN/313. This standard establishes 118 maximum residue limits (MRLs) for 54 pesticides, including paraquat, fenbutatin oxide, etc., in foods.

Follow-up: On January 21, 2011, Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Health jointly issued the National Food Safety Standard Maximum Residue Limits for 54 Pesticides (including Paraquat) in Foods, which is replaced by the National Food Safety Standard Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Food (GB 2763 - 2012). The new Standard will come into force on March 1, 2013.

*Draft for MRL of Avermectins and 63 other Kinds of Pesticides

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20for%20MRL%20of%20Avermectins%20and%2063%20other%20Kinds%20of%20Pesticides Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 10-24-2012.pdf
On August 15, 2012, Ministry of Agriculture of the People's Republic of China issued a notice in its website, announcing the National Standard of Maximum Residue Limits of Avermectins and 63 Other Kinds of Pesticides in Food (Draft for Comments). The Standards provides main application, acceptable daily intake, residue definition and maximum residue limits of 64 pesticides in food. MOA will accept comments by September 15, 2012, after which, MOA is likely to notify the WTO of the Standards. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

*List of Veterinary Drugs Banned for Use for Food Animals - CH11015

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/List%20of%20Veterinary%20Drugs%20Banned%20for%20Use %20for%20Food%20Animals Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 3-11-2011.pdf
In April, 2002, China's Ministry of Agriculture published a List of Veterinary Drugs and their Compounds Banned for Use for Food Animals. It applies to both domestically-produced and imported veterinary drugs.

*National Food Safety Standard-Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Food – CH10000

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/312

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-

 $\underline{Maximum\%20Levels\%20of\%20Contaminants\%20in\%20Food\ Beijing\ China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of\ 8-19-2010.pdf$

Translated version: August 12, 2010

On August 12, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Foods as G/SPS/N/CHN/312. This standard prescribes the maximum levels of Lead, Cadmium, Mercury, Arsenic, Tin, Nickel, Chromium, Nitrate, Nitrite, Benzo[a]pyrene, N nitrosamines, Polychlorinated biphenyls and 3-chloro-1, 2-propanediol in foods.

Elimination of Selenium Food Contaminant Standard

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Elimination\%20of\%20Selenium\%20From\%20Food\%20Contaminant\%20Standard_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_5-18-2010.pdf$

Translated version: April 14, 2010 China notified the WTO of —Notice on revoking the provision for selenium in the standard for maximum levels of contaminations in foods (GB2762-2005) as G/SPS/N/CHN/204. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was June 13, 2010.

Chinese Veterinary Drug MRLs - CH7082

http://www.fas.usda.gov/GainFiles/200711/146292903.pdf

In 2002, the Ministry of Agriculture published Announcement 235, a compendium of permissible uses for veterinary drugs in China and their Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs). The 2002 Announcement replaced the previous 1999 version of this document, published under the notification number Nongmufa No. 17 (1999). This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this Ministry of Agriculture measure.

Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Foods - CH6064

Translated version: January 25, 2005

The Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) issued a national standard on Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Foods (GB 2762-2005) on January 25, 2005. The standard combines and replaces 13 hygienic standards for chemical contaminants. Most standard requirements for these contaminants are adjusted to comply with Codex Alimentarius Committee standards except where a Codex standard is absent.

Section VI. Other Regulations and Requirements:

* Major Laws, Measures, Regulations, and Provisions

*Registration Required for Foreign Food Product Exporters – Update – CH12057
http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Registration%20Required%20for%20Foreign%20Food%20Product%20Exporters%20%e2%80%93%20Update%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-25-2012.pdf
On October 1st, new registration requirements for exporters and importers of food products to China will go into effect. This report is intended to provide supplemental information to the original GAIN report published June 29, 2012 announcing this new Measure.

*Registration Required for Foreign Food Product Exporters -CH12040

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Registration\%20Required\%20for\%20Foreign\%20Food\%20Product\%20Exporters_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_6-29-2012.pdf$

Translated version: April 4, 2012

On April 4, 2012, AQSIQ published a Notice requiring the registration with its Inspection and Quarantine Bureau of exporters and importers of food products to China. For this purpose, AQSIQ developed an E-filing website, http://ire.eciq.cn (bilingual). The new regulations will come into force on October 1, 2012.

*Registration of Overseas Food Manufacturing Facilities –CH12020

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Registration%20of%20Overseas%20Food%20Manufacturing%2OFacilities%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-27-2012.pdf

AQSIQ, China's quarantine authority, published Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Manufacturers of Imported Food effective May 1, 2012 (AQSIQ Decree 145). A draft of Decree 145 was notified to the WTO on August 19, 2011 as SPS/ N/472.

AQSIQ is determining the registration requirements by industry and, at this time, meat and seafood production facilities are the only industries impacted by this Measure. US meat production facilities are exempt from registration and seafood registration requirements will be enforced after May 1, 2013. Dairy and wine are potentially strong candidates as the next industries subject to registration requirements but no details for these industries have been announced. Until registration requirements are implemented for a particular industry, no additional registration requirements are required to import a manufactured food product to China.

*New Certification Regulations on Domestic Organic Products - CH12025

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/New\%20Certification\%20Regulations\%20on\%20Domestic\%20Organic\%20Products_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_3-16-2012.pdf$

China's Certification and Accreditation Administration (CNCA) released its new certification rules for domestic organic products. These rules became effective on March 1, 2012.

* Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Import%20and%20Expo

rt%20Food%20Safety Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-14-2010.pdf

Translated version on November 15, 2010

On November 15, 2010, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) notified the WTO of Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety as G/SPS/N/CHN/314. These measures apply to inspection, quarantine and safety supervision and management of foods for import and export.

Follow-up: On September 13, 2011, AQSIQ issued Decree 144 of the Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety, which came into force on March 1, 2012.

Admin Measures for Qualification Criteria of Food Inspection Institutions - CH10041

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Admin%20Measures%20for%20Qualification%20Cognizance%20of%20Food%20Inspection%20Insti_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-14-2010.pdf Translated version: May 31, 2010

The Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council published draft —Administrative Measures on Qualification Criteria of Food Inspection Institutions|| for domestic comments. Drafted by AQSIQ, the Measures specify the qualification criteria for food and food additive inspection institutions. The deadline for comments was June 10, 2010 and the regulation will come into force on October 1, 2010.

DRAFTED Food Safety Standards - CH10024

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Food\%20Safety\%20Standards_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_5-12-2010.pdf$

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China's State Council Legislative Affairs Office (SCLAO) published the —Administrative Measures for National Food Safety Standards on its website. The draft measures stipulate how a state standard on food safety should be formulated, addressing questions such as who can draft a standard and who approves a new standard. A Chinese version of this law is also available at: http://www.chinalaw.gov.cn/article/cazigg/201004/20100400253210.shtml

Follow-up: On October 20, 2010, MOH Decree 77 published the Administrative Measures for National Food Safety Standards. Full text can be found at: http://www.gov.cn/flfg/2010-11/10/content 1742131.htm

Food Inspection Accreditation - CH9135

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Inspection%20Accreditation Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-17-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 18, 2009

China notified —Qualification Certification Requirements for Food Inspection and Testing Agencies to the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/123. The proposed date of adoption and entry into force was February 1, 2010. China's WTO notification describes the regulation as, —According to the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, this regulation specifies the requirements for the organization, inspection ability, quality control, staff, facilities and environment, apparatus and equipments, standard substances that should be met by food inspection and testing agencies.

Rules for Food Inspection – CH9136

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20for%20Food%20Inspection Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-17-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 18, 2009

China notified —Specifications on Food Inspection and Testing|| to the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/124. Comments were due on January 17, 2010. The proposed date of adoption and entry into force was February 1, 2010. China's WTO notification describes the regulation as, —According to the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, this regulation specifies the working system and procedures for food inspection and testing agencies.

Licensing of Imported Food without Domestic Standards - CH9076

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Licensing%20of%20Imported%20Food%20Without%20Domestic%20Standards Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-25-2009.pdf

Translated version: August 13, 2009

The Ministry of Health (MOH) notified the World Trade Organization of draft national standard —Rules on Administrative Licensing of Imported Food without National Food Safety Standards for public comment. This measure has the WTO reference number G/SPS/N/CHN/119. On the basis of the 2009 Food Safety Law, the rules apply to imported food that does not have a national food safety standard. This is the second draft of this measure that has been released. The first draft was released on May 6 and

was reported on in GAIN CH9051. Upon review, this second draft contains enough significant changes in comparison with the draft published in CH9051.

Rules for New Food-Related Products – CH9077

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Rules\%20for\%20New\%20Food-Related\%20Products_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic%20of_9-25-2009.pdf$

Translated version: August 13, 2009

The Ministry of Health (MOH) notified the World Trade Organization of draft —Rules on Administrative Licensing of Food-related New Product Varieties for public comment. This measure has the WTO reference number G/SPS/N/CHN/120. On the basis of the 2009 Food Safety Law, this rule relates to additives, packaging, and other food related products that have previously not been registered for use in China. This is the second draft of this measure that has been released. The first draft was released on May 6 and was reported on in GAIN CH9051. Upon review, this second draft contains enough significant changes in comparison with the draft published in CH9051. The date of implementation for this measure was December 1, 2009.

Functional Food Regulation – CH9120

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Functional%20Food%20Regulation Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-17-2009.pdf

Translated version: May 31, 2009

China announced its draft Regulations on Supervision of Functional Foods. This measure primarily regulates foods that have a functional or health claim associated with their use. This measure was open for domestic comment until July 19, 2009. This measure was published by the State Council Legislative Office (SCLO).

Draft Standard for Imported Food-CH9051

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347829.pdf

Translated version on May 6, 2009

The Ministry of Health published two draft regulations designed to implement certain aspects of the Food Safety Law related to imported products. These two regulations govern imported foods that do not have Chinese safety standards and the licensing of new food related products. Other draft implementing regulations of the new Food Safety Law have been published as GAIN Report CH9040.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseed-Methods for Determination of Test Weight-CH8097 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306448.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5498 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds — Methods for Determination of Test Weight is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403 and 402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5498.

 $Inspection \ of \ Grain \ and \ Oilseeds \ - \ Methods \ for \ Sampling \ and \ Sample \ Reduction-CH8098 \ \underline{http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306449.pdf}$

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5491 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Sampling and Sample Reduction is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5491.

 $Inspection \ of \ Grain \ and \ Oilseeds - Methods \ for \ Identification \ of \ Color, \ Odor \ and \ Taste-CH8099 \ \underline{http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306958.pdf}$

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These

standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. National Standard is GB/T 5492 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Identification of Color, Odor and Taste is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5492.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Foreign Matter and Unsound Kernels-CH8100 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306960.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. National Standard is GB/T 5494 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Foreign Matter and Unsound Kernels is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5494.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Varieties and Their Mixture-CH8101 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306452.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5493 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Varieties and Their Mixture is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5493.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Moisture Content-CH8102 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306959.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5497 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Moisture Content is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5497.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Protein-CH8103 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306454.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. GB/T 5511 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Protein is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5511.

Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Fat-CH8104 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306455.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. GB/T 5512 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Fat is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5512.

General Rules of Inspection Grain, Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils-CH8105 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306957.pdf

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5490 General Rules of Inspection Grain, Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403 and 402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5498.

Requirements for Importing Host Plants from Sudden Oak Death Occurring Countries (Draft for Comments)-CH8080 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295844.pdf

WTO announcement- G/SPS/N/CHN/110

Translated version on August 1, 2008

AQSIQ announced the Phytosanitary Requirements for the Import of Host Plants of *Phytophthora ramorum*, Sudden Oak Death (SOD) from Regulated Areas for WTO members to comment before October 1, 2008. The proposed adoption and implementation date is October 15, 2008.

Decree on Trade of Genetic Resources-CH8083

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295873.pdf

On August 20, 2008, the Government of China, approved new State Council Decree No. 533, a piece of legislation detailing the procedures for Chinese companies intending to import, export, or jointly research "animal and poultry genetic resources" (as defined within the legislation). This decree details the roles of the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service Administration at both the provincial and State Council level. It also lists procedures that companies or institutions should go through and punishments for non-compliance.

 $Bulk\ Agricultural\ Commodity\ Reporting\ System\ (for\ trial\ implementation)-CH8056$

Translated version: June 25, 2008

On June 25, 2008, China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) published "The Administrative Measures of the Reporting and information Publication on the import of Bulk agriculture Commodities" (for trial implementation) and a related No.46 Announcement. According to MOFCOM, these measures will be effective on August 1, 2008. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the MOFCOM measures and announcement. Based on a preliminary review of these measures the trade impact is expected to be limited.

Food Recall Regulation – CH7070

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China published the "Regulation on the Administration of Food Recalls (Regulation 98)" on August 27, 2007. This regulation entered into force on the date of publication.

Regulations on the Enforcement of the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Inspection of Import and Export Commodities – CH5071

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the "Regulations on the Enforcement of the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Inspection of Import and Export Commodities." The regulation changes the inspection procedures for import and export. It does not contain specific standards and appears to reference existing standards as part of the new procedures.

Administrative Measures on Novel Food (revised version) – CH7020

The document stipulates the definition, safety assessment, application and approval process, production management, and hygienic inspection of novel foods in China. These Measures do not cover genetically modified (GM) food and food additives, which are regulated separately.

Follow-up: On December 12, 2011, China notified the WTO of Administrative Measures on Novel Food (Draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/510. The document stipulates the basic requirements and management criteria of the application process, safety review, and approval process of novel foods. Full text of the Administrative Measures can be found at: http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2011/sps/CHN/11_4002_00_x.pdf

National Standards for Organic Products - CH5054

Translated version: July 6, 2005

This an UNOFFICIAL translation of the national standards for organic products issued by the Standardization

Administration of China (SAC). It consists of four parts, namely production, processing, labeling and marketing, and management system. SAC and the General Administration on Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) jointly issued the National Standards for Organic Products early this year. These recommended standards, along with other regulations about organic product certification (CH5012 and CH5049) regulate the production, processing, labeling and marketing, and management of organic products in China. Imported organic products need to observe these regulations and standards that were put into force on April 1, 2005.

Follow-up: it is replaced by the recommended standard of "Organic Products" (GB/T 19630-2011).

Interim Administrative Measures for Health Food Registration – CH5050

Translated version: April 30, 2005

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of Decree 19 the Interim Administrative Measures for Health Food Registration published by the State Food and Drug Administration (SFDA). These measures go into effect on July 1, 2005. These measures stipulate that SFDA and its subsidiaries are responsible for assessment and review of food safety, effectiveness, quality control, and content of labeling before a health food is registered.

Implementation Rules for Organic Product Certification – CH5049

Translated version: June 2, 2005

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Implementation Rules for Organic Product Certification published by the Certification and Accreditation Administration of China (CNCA), which take immediate effect. These rules stipulate certification fee collection, procedures of approval, suspension, and cancellation of certification, requirements about organic labeling, and dispute settlement procedures. Certification bodies use these rules and national standards for organic products (GB/T 19630–2005) when certifying organic products being marketed in China. Imported organic products need to comply with the requirements of organic product certification and standard of China. In other words, imported organic food products should be certified by a Chinese certification body or an overseas certification body authorized by CNCA.

Administrative Measures for Certification of Organic Products – CH5012

Translated version: January 14, 2005

These Measures, which take effect as of April 1, 2005, govern certification procedures of organic products as well as production, processing, marketing, and labeling of organic products grown in China as well as imported products. Additionally, the legislation regulates activities of organic product certification agencies.

Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Prepackaged Commodities – CH5002 WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/63

Translated version: December 13, 2004

This regulation provides legal metrological requirements for prepackaged commodities that are measured by weight, volume, length, area, and numeral with proposed adoption scheduled for March 2005. Bulk commodities such as wheat and soybeans are not covered by this regulation but regulated by contracts. Unpackaged foods in small quantities and gold/silver ornaments are governed by Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Retail Commodities (see GAIN report CH4071).

AQSIQ Decree 66 Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Retail Commodities - CH4071

Translated version: August 10, 2004

These Measures, with a scheduled implementation date of December 1, 2004, regulate unpackaged retail food commodities as well as gold/silver ornaments that are measured by weight and it is a restatement of an existing law published in 1993.

Bonded Trade Commodity Import Ban – CH4056

Translated version: October 29, 2004

The Ministry of Commerce, State Environmental Protection Administration, and the General Administration of Customs jointly issued 2004 Announcement Number 55. The report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of Announcement 55, an annually published update of items banned for processing trade, and the internet links to the appendix of items banned from processing trade; including certain poultry products, planting seeds, animal feeds, and ginseng.

Lifting of Quarantine Import Permit Requirement for Certain Products – CH4041

Translated version: August 31, 2004

AQSIQ 2004 Announcement 111 eliminated importers requirements to apply for a Quarantine Import Permit (QIP) for

specified animal and plant commodities before contracts are signed and products are imported into China. The animal and plant products, however, are still subject to quarantine examination upon arrival in China. The report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the announcement along with the list of designated commodities no longer requiring a QIP.

Items on Handling Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine - CH4020

Translated version: June 16, 2004

AQSIQ 2004 Announcement 73 "Items on Handling the Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine" provides revised information to the Administrative Measures (CH2039) mentioned above. The announcement is scheduled for implementation from July 1, 2004. The information has not been reported to the WTO.

Regulation on Entry Animal Genetic Material Quarantine - CH3111

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/19 from June 13, 2003

Translated version: May 14, 2003

AQSIQ 2003 Decree No. 47, the *Regulation on Entering Animal Genetic Material Quarantine*, was adopted on April 3, 2003 and approved on May 14, 2003 for implementation from July 1, 2003.

Regulation on the Pest Risk Analysis of Plants and Plant Products for Port Entry - CH3015

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/20 from June 17, 2003

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 41, the *Provisions for the Administration of Risk Analysis on Entry Plant and Plant Products*, was adopted on December 19, 2002 and approved on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003.

Regulation on Import Risk Analysis for Animals and Animal Products - CH3014

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/18 from June 13, 2003

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 40, the *Provisions for the Administration of Risk Analysis on Entry Animals and Animal Products*, was adopted on October 18, 2002 and approved on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003.

Admin. Measures for Sampling Inspection on Import and Export Commodities - CH3013

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ (2002) Decree No. 39, the *Administrative Measures for Sampling Inspection on Import and Export Commodities*, was adopted on December 19, 2002 and published on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003. These Measures apply to commodity sampling that is not mandated in other Administrative Measures or Laws.

Admin. Rules for Agency/Business Enterprise Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine - CH3021

Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Announcement Number 34, *The Administrative Rules on Agencies Applying for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine*, was published on the AQSIQ website on November 6, 2002 for enforcement from January 1, 2003. The "Rules" were published in Issue 17 of the China Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Gazette on March 18, 2003, also. The Announcement provides guidelines and requirements for agencies/business enterprises that use agents for importing and exporting commodities.

Follow-up: on March 30, 2010, AQSIQ released Decree 128, Admin. Rules for Agency/ Business Enterprise Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine, which came into force on June 1, 2010. Full text of the Rules can be found at: http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjl/2010/201210/t20121015 235125.htm.

Admin. Rules for Agent Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine - CH3020 Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Announcement No. 33, Administrate Rules for Agent Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine, was published on the AQSIQ website on November 6, 2002 for enforcement from January 1, 2003. This report provides guidelines and requirements for individuals that intend to become importing and exporting agents.

Administrative Measures for Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine Law - CH2039 Translated version: August 1, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 25 "Administrative Measures for Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine" was issued on August 1, 2002. The regulation, effective from September 1, 2002, regulates the application procedure for Entry

Animal and Plant Quarantine permits along with the final use of such permits. The Measures also regulate AQSIQ's review and approval process for Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine.

Law on Import and Export Commodity Inspection - CH2029

Translated version: April 28, 2002

This is an UNOFFICIAL English translation of the amended National Party Congress (NPC) Law for Import and Export Commodity Inspection for the People's Republic of China. This Law provides the general framework of import and export commodity inspection. Chinese national technical standards (GB or GB/T) exist for specific commodities and often detail inspection procedures and requirements. U.S. exporters are encouraged to discuss relevant Chinese national standards with importers prior to shipment to ensure that their interpretation of the regulation is accurate.

Implementation Regulations for Animal and Plant Entry and Exit Quarantine Law - CH3110

Translated version: December 2, 1996 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/5

The Implementation Regulations were published and announced in SC Decree No. 206 for Implementation from January 1, 1997. The regulations provided the implementation details for the Animal and Plant Entry and Exit Law (NPC Order No. 53).

Consumer Protection Law - CH1055

Translated version: January 1, 1994

UNOFFICIAL English language text of the Consumer Protection Law for the People's Republic of China can be found at the web site: "http://www.qis.net/chinalaw". The law was adopted by the NPC in October 1993 and implemented January 1, 1994. The law guarantees consumers rights', details business operators' obligations and legal responsibilities, and outlines procedures for dispute resolution.

Animal and Plant Entry and Exit Quarantine Law - CH1051

Translated version: October 30, 1991 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/4

This Law (NPC Order Number 53) establishes the general guidelines for the import, export, and transit quarantine for animals, plants and the respective method of transport. The United States and China continue to actively engage one another in bilateral phytosanitary talks and protocols. For specific quarantine problems, contact the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Office in Beijing. AQSIQ acting for the State Council (SC) has statutory authority over this Law.

Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) Rules, Regulations, and Reports

*Tariff Rates for Agricultural Commodities in 2013 – CH12082

The State Council Duty Committee (SCDC) released its 2013 tariff rate duties for certain commodities, with a January 1, 2013, effective date. This report contains an unofficial translation of the SCDC announcement, including tables on import duties for tariff rate quotas, specific and compound duty rates, and tentative tariff rates. Included in these tariff rate reductions are several products that the United States currently exports to China.

TRQ Implementation Measures of 2006 TRQ Allocations for Wool and Wool Tops - CH5070

The MOC issued the Implementation Measures for 2006 TRQs of Wool and Wool Tops. Wool and wool tops import TRQs phased in during CY2004 and are not subject to further changes. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the measures.

TRO Implementation Measures for 2006 TRO Allocations for Imported Sugar - CH5067

The MOC issued the Implementation Measures of 2006 TRQ Allocations for Imported Sugar. According to its WTO Accession Agreement obligation, China had phased in import TRQ's for sugar during CY2004. The allocation measures and requirements in 2006 remain basically unchanged from those in 2005.

TRQ Implementation Measures for 2006 TRQ of Grain and Cotton – CH5066

The NDRC issued the Implementation Measures of 2006 TRQ Allocations for Grains and Cotton. The TRQ volumes are identical to CY2004-the final year of the WTO agreed-upon phase-in for grains and cotton.

TRQ Implementation Measures for 2005 TRQ of Wool and Wool Tops – CH4053

Translated version: September 29, 2004

The MOC issued the Implementation Measures for 2005 TRQs of Wool and Wool Tops. The TRQ rates reached their WTO obligated phase-in levels in 2004. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the measures along with a copy of the application form.

TRQ Implementation Measures for 2005 TRQ of Oils and Sugar - CH4052

Translated version: September 29, 2004

The MOC issued the Implementation Measures of 2005 TRQ Allocation for Oils and Sugar. According to its WTO Accession Agreement obligation, China's TRQs for palm oil, soybean oil, and rapeseed oil reach their final quantities in 2005. China reduced the state trading allocation share. While allocation measures in 2005 remain basically unchanged, requirements are added to existing and new TRQ applicants.

TRQ Implementation Measures for 2005 TRQ of Grain and Cotton - CH4051

Translated version: September 30, 2004

The NDRC issued the Implementation Measures of 2005 TRQ Allocation for Grains and Cotton. The TRQs have reached their final quantity levels as negotiated in China's WTO Accession Agreement. The UNOFFICIAL translation includes TRQ allocation volumes, along with the percentages designated for state trading firms, and an appendix, a sample form for the Agricultural Product Import TRQ Certificate.

TRQ Reallocation Notice for 2004 TRQ of Grains, Oils, Sugar, and Cotton - CH4037

Translated version: August 11, 2004

The MOC and National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) jointly issued 2004 Announcement No. 50 "Announcement on Reallocation of 2004 TRQs." The document provides instructions to end-users/holders of TRQs for wheat, corn, rice, soy oil, palm oil, rapeseed oil, sugar, and cotton.

TRQ Implementation Measures of 2004 TRQ Allocation for Oils and Sugar - CH3130

Translated version: September 28, 2003

The Ministry of Commerce (MOC) issued the Implementation Measures of 2004 TRQ Allocation for Palm Oil, Soybean Oil, Rapeseed Oil, and Sugar. This UNOFFICIAL translation includes allocation volumes, information on amounts designated for state trading, and information on product classification and a sample application for Agricultural Product Import TRQ Certificate.

TRQ Implementation Measures of 2004 TRQ Allocation for Grains and Cotton - CH3129

Translated version: September 30, 2003

The State Development and Reform Commission issued the Implementation Measures as part of its WTO accession commitment. This UNOFFICIAL translation includes TRQ allocation volumes, along with the percentages designated for state trading firms, and an appendix, a sample form for the Agricultural Product Import TRQ Certificate.

Revised TRQ Interim Rules and Regulations for Agricultural Imports – CH3128

Translated version: September 27, 2003

The report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the revised Interim Rules and Regulations for Agricultural Imports Tariff Rate Quota referred to in CH2007 as issued by the Ministry of Commerce and the State Development and Reform Commission.

TRQ Implementation Measures for 2003 Agricultural Products - CH2050

Translated version: October 15, 2002

Mandated by China's WTO accession, the TRQ's permit imports of specified commodities at negligible duties, and also require that a certain percentage of the allocation be reserved for non-State Owned Enterprises (SOE's). Both quantity and non-SOE share are fixed in the accession agreement document. Other than readjustment of the quantities in line with the Accession Agreement, the biggest change is the addition of a separate application form for quota for re-export.

TRQ Re-Allocation Notice - CH2041

Translated version: August 9, 2002

The report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's State Development and Planning Committee Notice on Import Tariff Rate Quotas for Major Agricultural Products (wheat, corn, rice, soy oil, rapeseed oil, palm oil, sugar and cotton). The Notice was issued on August 9 and provides information on how unused TRQ's should be returned by state and non-state importers and how new quotas will be allocated for the remainder of the calendar year.

TRQ Allocation Implementation Measures for 2002 Agricultural Products - CH2008

Translated version: February 7, 2002

The report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Implementation Measures for Tariff Rate Quota. This document describes the amount, application requirements, and allocation principles for wheat, corn, rice, palm oil, soybean oil, rapeseed oil, sugar, cotton, sheep wool and wool tops agricultural products for 2002. This measure was formulated in accordance with the Interim Rules and Regulations for Agricultural Products (CH2007). The appendix to this document describes the information that is requested for on the Application Form for A Type TRQ Agricultural Commodity Imports. These measures were announced on 7 February 2002 and effective from 10 February 2002.

TRQ Administration Interim Rules and Regulations - CH2007

Translated version: January 30, 2002

The report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Interim Rules and Regulations for Agricultural Imports Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) Administration as authored by the State Development and Planning Commission (SDPC). This document also contains four appendices. The first appendix lists the authorizing agencies approved by the SDPC. The second and third appendixes are Certificate A and B (application forms for two categories of trade). The final appendix is the Notice on Tariff Quota Allocation for Agricultural Products. These Rules and Regulations are effective from 5 February 2002.

Transgenic Agricultural Product Rules, Regulations, and Measures

Updated List of Quarantine Harmful Bio-organisms - CH11051

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Updated%20List%20of%20Quarantine%20Harmful%20Bio-organisms%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 11-10-2011.pdf

This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Ministry of Agriculture's (MOA) updated list of Quarantine Harmful Bio-organisms by the People's Republic of China" as of June 20, 2011. The initial MOA Decree was published on May 29, 2007, and updated three times between 2009 and 2011 to add 4 species of quarantine harmful bio-organisms.

Revision of Plant Variety Protection Regulations – CH7088

Translated version: October 10, 2007

On October 10, 2007, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published "The Implementation Rules for the Regulations on Protection of New Plant Varieties (Agriculture Part)". The new rules governing the application and review process for registration of new plant varieties falling under the responsibility of MOA will take effect on January 1, 2008. This report provides an UNOFFICIAL translation of these rules. The impact of these rules on trade remains unclear.

China Updates Plant Variety Testing Procedures – CH7078

Translated version: August 23, 2007

China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) recently published the "Administrative Measures on Testing Guidelines for New Plant Varieties." These procedural guidelines revise the measures that govern the testing required for new plant variety registration applications in China. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this MOA measure.

AQSIQ Decree 62 Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit GM Products – CH4017 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/15 from July 25, 2002 and G/SPS/N/CHN/15/Add.1

Translated version: June 15, 2004

The decree was approved on September 5, 2001 but not signed until May 24, 2004. This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the decree. The Decree requires importers to declare and label if goods destined to enter China contain transgenic modification.

Interim GMO Regs Extended - CH3113

Translated version: July 16, 2003

Through a letter to the USDA Ag. Affairs Office, MOA extended the effectiveness of Ag. GMO Circular 222 until April 20, 2004.

Ag. GMO Circular 222: Management Procedures on Interim Measures for Imported Ag GMO Products (Revised) - CH2052

Translated version: October 11, 2002

MOA issued Circular 222 to continue the interim measures until September 30, 2003. The report also provides a copy of the "Application Form for Interim Certificate to Import Ag GMO Product."

Ag. GMO Circular 190: Management Procedures on Interim Measures for Imported Ag GMO Products - CH2051

Translated version: March 11, 2002

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/140

MOA issued this circular that permits overseas companies to apply for a GMO Import Safety Certificate from the MOA Ag GMO Safety Administration Office. The Circular adopted interim measures to allow normal trade to continue during the 270 days while the application was reviewed. These interim measures were set to expire on December 20, 2002. Circular 222 (CH2052) has replaced the Circular 190

Ag. GMO Implementation Measures - CH2002

Translated version: January 7, 2002

WTO Announcements: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/137, G/SPS/N/CHN/P/138, G/SPS/N/CHN/P/139

This document from the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) contains three (3) measures: 1. Measures for Ag GMOs Safety Evaluation Administration. 2. Measures for Ag GMOs Imports. 3. Measures for Ag GMO Labeling. GMO measures will be implemented mainly by the Ministry of Agriculture. All measures will be effective from March 20, 2002.

Ag. GMO Safety Administration Regulation - CH1056

Translated version: June 6, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/136

The scope of this regulation, by the State Council, specifies the management, production, distribution, and use of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in agriculture. The regulation requires Safety Certification and labeling for all types of domestic or imported GMOs. Text in the regulation is vague and does not provide direction for several procedural measures. The implementation measures are in CH2002. The Agriculture Administrative Department of the State Council has statutory authority over this regulation. This department is comprised from representatives from several of China's ministries.

Maximum Limits for Micronutrients and Chemical Elements in Foods

*National Food Safety Standard-Pathogen Limits for Food-12063

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Pathogen%20Limits%20for%20Food Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 10-23-2012.pdf

On October 16, 2012, China notified to the WTO a National Food Safety Standard – Pathogen Limits for Food as SPS/N/CHN 544. The standard stipulates pathogen limits for food, and sets a date for final comments submission of December 15 2012. The proposed date of entry into force is to be determined.

* Pathogen Limits for Foods - CH11001

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Pathogen%20Limits%20for%20Foods Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 1-13-2011.pdf

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/354

On January 10, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Pathogen Limits for Foods as G/SPS/N/CHN/354.

*National Food Safety Standard-Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Food - CH11031

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On May 13, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site National Food Safety Standard on Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Foods. To be implemented on October 20, 2011, the standard prescribes the maximum levels of Aflatoxin B1, Aflatoxins M1, Deoxynivalenol, Patulin, Ochratoxin A, and Zearalenone in foods. A draft version of the standard was notified to the WTO on August 12, 2010 as G/SPS/N/CHN/311.

*Guidelines and Prescriptions for Use of Processing Aids - CH10047

WTO Notification: G/SPS/N/CHN/307

Translated version:

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Guidelines%20and%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20Of%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20Of%20Prescriptions%20Frescriptio

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On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Guidelines and Prescriptions for Use of Processing Aids in Food Industry as G/SPS/N/CHN/307. This guideline prescribes the use of processing aids in food industry.

*Iodine Content in Edible Salt –CH10050

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/310

Translated version: August 4, 2010

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Iodine\%20Content\%20in\%20Edible\%20Salt\ Beijing\ China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_8-13-2010.pdf$

On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard-Iodine Content in Edible Salt as G/SPS/N/CHN/310. This standard prescribes the iodine content in edible salt. It applies to the management of manufacture, storage, transit, wholesale and retail of edible salt.

Follow-up: on September 2011, Ministry of Health issued the National Food Safety Sandard of Iodine Content in Edible Salt, which was put into effect on March 15, 2012. Full text the standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201109/53064.htm

Section VII. Other Specific Standards:

* Cotton, Oilseeds, Tobacco, and Planting Seeds

*Draft National Standard for Cotton Baling -CH12068

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20National%20Standard%20for%20Cotton%20Baling_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-2-2012.pdf

Translated version: October 15, 2012

On October 15, 2012, China National Standardization Technical Committee on Cotton Processing published draft national standard "GB6975- xxxx Cotton Baling" soliciting public comments. Comments shall be submitted to the Committee no later than November 10, 2012.

*Draft Standard for Cotton Seed Quality Grade - CH12067

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20Standard%20for%20Cotton%20Seed%20Quality%20Grade Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 11-1-2012.pdf

On October 15, 2012, China's National Standardization Technical Committee on Cotton Processing published draft national standard, "GB/T xxxxx-xxxx Cotton Seed Quality Grade", soliciting public comments. Comments shall be submitted to the Committee no later than November 10, 2012. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the draft standard. Further communication with the Committee shows this standard is of voluntary nature and will not go through the WTO notification process. However, the US industry is encouraged to submit comments before the deadline.

*Hygienic Standard for Oilseeds - CH12047

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/National\%20Standard\%20for\%20Oilseeds \ Beijing \ China\%20-20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of \ 9-28-2012.pdf$

This is an unofficial translation of "GB 19641-2005 Hygienic Standard for Oilseeds". The Standard was issued on January 25th, 2005 and implemented on October 1st, 2005 with the interim period for 1 year. Products before Oct. 1st 2005 and in compliance with the requirements of corresponding standards were permitted to continue on the market until Sept 30th 2006. The Standard describes the hygienic indices, testing methods, and hygienic requirements in packaging, labeling, storage and transportation of oilseeds that are used for producing edible oils.

*National Food Safety Standard on Roasted Seeds and Nuts -CH12049

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Roasted%20Seeds%20and%20Nuts_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf

On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Roasted Seeds and Nuts as SPS/N/CHN/523. This standard applies to raw and cooked nuts and seeds. This standard prescribes the terms, definitions, and technical requirements etc.

*National Standard of Seed Potatoes (Draft for Approvals) - 12048

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Standard%20of%20Seed%20Potatoes%20(Draft%2

0for%20Approvals)%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf

On July 18, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Standard of Seed Potatoes as G/TBT/N/CHN/920. The standard was drafted for regulating the production of seed potatoes, maintaining seed potato trade order, promoting supervision and administration, and protecting the benefits of farmers. The date for submission of final comments to China is September 16, 2012. The proposed date of adoption of the standard is 90 days after its notification to the WTO, and date of its entry into force is 6 months after the notification

* Administrative Measures for Inspection of Imported Cotton (Draft) - CH11064

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Administrative\%20Measures\%20for\%20Inspection\%20of\%20Import\%20Cotton\%20(Draft)_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-20-2011.pdf$

On December 8, 2011, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) published "Supervision and Administration Measures for Inspection of Import Cotton (Draft for soliciting comments)". This report contains an UNOFFICIAL Translation of the Measures. Preliminary review indicates the Measures are a combination of the AQSIQ Announcement No.87 (GAIN 8075) and AQSIQ Circular on Quality and Credit Assessment on Overseas Cotton Exporters (GAIN 9004) with modifications to the Appeal and Dispute Settlement system (Article 23).

*Standard on Soybeans for Feedstuff - CH11052

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Standard\%20on\%20Soybeans\%20for\%20Feedstuff_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_11-17-2011.pdf$

This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of a National Standard of People's Republic of China, GB/T 20411-2006 of Soybeans for Feedstuffs. The standard was published on August 3, 2006 and was not notified to the World Trade Organization. Note that the standard specifies an impurities content of no more than 1.0 percent(≤1.0%) for soybeans for feedstuff. The standard has not been applied to soybean imports since its implementation.

Designated Seed Import Locations

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Designated%20Seed%20Import%20Locations_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 1-27-2010.pdf

Translated version: December 31, 2009

China's Administration for Quality, Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) issued the notice —List of designated entry ports for imported plant seeds and seedlings. This measure effectively limits the number of entry points into which U.S. companies can use for exporting their seeds and seedlings.

Link in Chinese: http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjgg/2009/201001/t20100114_134970.htm

Crop Seeds of Cole Vegetables - CH9125

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Crop\%20Seeds\%20of\%20Cole\%20Vegetables_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-15-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seeds of Cole Vegetables" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/702. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for cabbage, kohlrabi, and cauliflower seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cole categories' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Crop Seeds of Solanaceous Fruits – CH9126

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Crop\%20Seeds\%20of\%20Solanaceous\%20Fruits \ Beijing \ China \ \%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of \ 12-15-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seed of Solanaceous Fruits" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/701. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes that, —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for aubergine, capsicum and tomato seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cabbage seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Crop Seeds of Leafy Vegetables – CH9127

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Leafy%20Vegetables Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-15-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seeds of Leafy Vegetables" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/703. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for celery, spinach and lettuce seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned leafy vegetables' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Crop Seeds of Chinese Cabbage – CH9128

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent \% 20 GAIN \% 20 Publications/Crop \% 20 Seed \% 20 of \% 20 Chinese \% 20 Cabbage_Beijing_China \% 20 - \% 20 Peoples \% 20 Republic \% 20 of _12-15-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seed of Chinese Cabbage" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/700. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this as a standard that —specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for heading Chinese cabbage and non-heading Chinese cabbage seeds. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cabbage seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Crop Seeds of Melon - CH9129

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seed%20of%20Melon_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf Translated version: November 19, 2009 China notified —Crop Seeds of Melon to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN699. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this standard as specifying —the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for watermelon, sweet melon, wax gourd and cucumber seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned melon seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Crop Seeds of Legumina – CH9130

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Crop\%20Seeds\%20of\%20Legumina_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-15-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified —Crop Seeds of Legumina to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN696. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this standard as specifying —the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for soybean, horsebean, red bean, and mung bean seeds. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned legumes' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

Technical Regulations for Cotton Processing-CH9044

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Technical%20Regulations%20for%20Cotton%20Processing Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-13-2009.pdf

Translated version on December 31, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and Standardization Administration of China (SAC) published National Standard GB/T 22335-2008 on Technical Regulations for Cotton Processing. The standard, effective May 1, 2009, applies to domestic cotton purchases and processing and stipulates the technical regulations for cotton processing.

Basic Technical Condition of Cotton Processing Enterprise-CH9045

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Basic%20Technical%20Condition%20of%20Cotton%20Processing%20Enterprise Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-15-2009.pdf

Translated version on December 31, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and Standardization Administration of China (SAC) published National Standard GB/T 18353-2008 on Basic Technical Condition of Cotton Processing Enterprise. The standard, effective May 1, 2009, applies to domestic cotton processing enterprise and stipulates the technical condition of cotton processing enterprise.

Registration of Overseas Cotton Exporters-CH8075 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295725.pdf WTO announcement- G/TBT/N/CHN/336

Translated version on August 5, 2008

AQSIQ published the Administration Measures for the Registration of Overseas Cotton Exporters. The Announcement requested all overseas cotton exporters supplying cotton to mainland China file an application for registration beginning September 15, 2008. The application should be accompanied with relevant information about the exporters. According to AQSIQ, the registration is aimed at strengthening management and supervision of the inspection and quarantine of imported cotton, and to prevent fraudulent trade practices.

National Standard for Soybean-CH8066

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200808/146295479.pdf

WTO announcement - TBT/N/CHN/402

Translated version on July 3, 2008

This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. This standard also applies to testing, evaluation and identification of the quality of commercial soybeans. An implementation date has not been specified.

Rules for Cotton Quarantine (Draft) – CH6076

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/98 from August 17, 2006

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of China (AQSIQ) notified this standard (Preliminary Draft for Approval). The proposed date of adoption is ninety days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat, and the proposed date of entry into force is six months after adoption. According to AQSIQ, the purpose of this standard is to protect plant, animal and human health from diseases and pest damage.

Administrative Measures for Grass Seeds – CH6008

This is UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Decree No. 56 of 2006 that expanded coverage, detailed rules and procedures for production, marketing and trade of grass seeds. Import policies on grass seeds remain unchanged.

Planting Seeds New Plant Variety Protection List Updated – CH5048

Translated version: May 20, 2005

China's Ministry of Agriculture revised the list of plants eligible for new plant variety protection (new PVP) by including 21 additional varieties. The list updates information contained in CH4059. This revised list now includes cotton in the plants eligible for new PVP and represents a breakthrough for several concerned industry sources. The report includes: MOA (2005) No. 51, SFA (2004) No. 12, MOA (2003) No. 32, SFA (2002) No. 6, MOA (2002) No. 3, SFA (2001) No. 46, MOA (2000) No. 27, SFA (2000) No. 5, MOA (1999) No. 14, and SFA (1999) No. 2.

Hygienic Standard for Rapeseed Oil – CH5003

WTO Announcement #1: G/TBT/N/CHN/43 from November 13, 2003 WTO Announcement #2: G/SPS/N/CHN/43 from December 23, 2003

Translated version: August 13, 2004

This Standard, GB1536-2004, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, solvent extracted, and finished product rapesed oil. The regulation is scheduled to enter into force on February 1, 2005.

New Plant Variety Genera and Species Eligibility List - CH4059

Translated version: October 14, 2004

This report contains UNOFFICIAL translations of all plant seed and seedling genera eligible for new plant variety protection application with the State Forestry Administration (SFA) and the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA). The report includes: SFA (2004) No. 12, MOA (2003) No. 32, SFA (2002) No. 6, MOA (2002) No. 3, MOA (2001) No. 46, MOA (2000) No. 27, SFA (2000) No. 5, MOA (1999) No. 14, and SFA (1999) No. 2.

Hygienic Standard for Peanut Oil – CH4025

WTO Announcement G/TBT/N/CHN/24 from July 28, 2003

Translated version: May 1, 2004

This Standard, GB1534-2003, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, pressed, and solvent extracted peanut oils. Indications are the Standard is reasonably consistent with Codex Standards, yet is more detailed.

Hygienic Standard for Soybean Oil – CH4022

WTO Announcement G/TBT/N/CHN/25 from July 28, 2003

Translated version: May 1, 2004

This Standard, GB1535-2003, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, pressed, and solvent extracted soybean oils. Indications are the Standard is reasonably consistent with Codex Standard, yet is more detailed.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Vegetable Oil – CH4070

WTO Announcement G/SPS/N/CHN/51 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: February 13, 2004

This DRAFTED Standard, GB2716, applies to crude and edible vegetable oils. The Chinese SPS office has not published a final version. The WTO announcement indicates the Standard is likely to affect the US, EU, Japan, and Canada.

Ministry of Agriculture 2003 Decree No. 30 on Crop Germplasm Resources – CH3122

Translated version: July 8, 2003

The Decree provides management guidelines for the registration, preservation, use, exchange, and trade of seed germplasm in accordance with the Seed Law and Seed Law Implementation Regulations and is scheduled for implementation from October 1, 2003. This Decree annuls the Interim Measures cited in CH4060.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Hydrogenated Oil - CH3099

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17402, to solicit comments on the hygienic requirements for hydrogenated oils.

Follow-up: MOH released the Hygienic Standard for Edible Hydrogenated Oil on September 24, 2003, which came into force on May 1, 2004.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Soybean Meal - CH3098

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14932.1, to solicit comments.

Seed Law Implementation Regulations - CH1052

Translated version: February 13, 2001

The Implementation Regulations include five decrees from the Ministry of Agriculture (Decree 44: Measures for the Examination and Approval of Major Crop Varieties, Decree 48: Measures for the Administration of Crop Seed Production License and Management License, Decree 49: Measures for the Labeling of Crop Seeds, Decree 50: Measures for the Processing and Packaging of Seeds, and Decree 51: Measures for the Scope of Major Crops). The Ministry of Agriculture has statutory authority over the Seed Law.

Seed Law - CH0031

Translated version: July 8, 2000

The Seed Law includes chapters on protection of germplasm, examination of varieties, seed production and management, seed quality, the import and export of seeds and foreign cooperation on seeds. In 2004, China amended two articles of the Seed Law (see CH4063).

Interim Measures for Crop Seed (Seedling) Trade - 4060

Translated version: March 28, 1997

This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of Ministry of Agriculture 1997 Notice No. 14. The Notice provides certain guidelines for seed and seedling trade guidelines, management procedures and other administrative steps that importers and exporters must undertake to trade in planting seeds.

China's Accession to 1978 UPOV Convention - CH7023

Translated version: March 20, 1997

This UNOFFICIAL translation of State Council 1997 Decree 213, joining China to the 1978 version of the Convention to Union of the Protection of New Varieties of Plants, establishes a system of PVP application and Breeders' Rights. The State Council designated both the Ministry of Agriculture and the State Forestry Administration as the responsible parties for creating a plant species eligibility list along with a system of receiving and reviewing applications.

* Dairy, Livestock, and Poultry

*China Re-issues Banned Drugs and Substances in Feed and Animal Production- CH11023

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/China%20Re-

issues%20Banned%20Drugs%20and%20substances%20in%20Feed%20and%20Animal_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-5-2011.pdf

On April 22, the Ministry of Agriculture published a total of 82 drugs and substances that are banned in feed, animal drinking water, and animal production. These banned drugs and substances were previously released in the Ministry announcements No.176, No.193 and No.1519.

*Regulation on Inspection of Exit-Entry Dairy Products (Draft)

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20of%20Exit-Entry%20Dairy%20Products%20(Draft) Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 3-24-2011.pdf

These Measures establish the requirements of inspection, quarantine and supervision for imported and exported dairy products. The comment period ends on May 22, 2011. China has not determined an adoption date of these measures. This report is an informal translation of the document which was notified to the WTO on March 23 as G/SPS/N/CHN/355.

*Regulation on Inspection and Quarantine of Entry-Exit Meat Products - CH11005

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20of% 20Entry-Exit%20Meat%20Products_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-16-2011.pdf

On January 20, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Administrative Measures for Inspection, Quarantine and Supervision of Inbound and Outbound Meat Products. The Measures, which replaces the Administrative Measures for Inspection and Quarantine of inbound and outbound Meat Products issued on October 1, 2002, will take effect on June 1, 2011.

*Rules of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Aquatic Products – CH11006

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20of%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20on%20En try-Exit%20Aquatic%20Products Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 2-24-2011.pdf

On January 20, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision on Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (Final). The Measures, which replace the Administrative Measures on Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Aquatic Products issued on November 6, 2002, will take effect June 1, 2011.

Meat Quarantine and Inspection – CH10025

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Meat%20Quarantine%20and%20Inspection_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-12-2010.pdf

Translated version: April 21, 2010

China notified the WTO of —The Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine and Supervision on the Entry and Exit of Meat Products|| as SPS/N/CHN/207. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was June 20, 2010. The proposed date of entry is detailed —as soon as possible after the final date for comments.

Dairy Processing Aids – CH10020

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Dairy%20Processing%20Aids Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-4-2010.pdf

Translated version: April 20, 2010

China's Ministry of Health published a list of certain authorized processing aids for distribution to local health and food regulatory authorities. This list is primarily made up of lactic acid bacterium. This announcement presents an updated list.

National Dairy Standard - Pasteurized Milk - CH9093

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Pasteurized%20Milk Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 11-30-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Pasteurized Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/126. This standard relates to the quality specifications of pasteurized milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of pasteurized fresh milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for pasteurized fresh milk.

National Dairy Standard – Sterilized – CH9094

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Sterilized%20Milk_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-30-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Sterilized Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/127. This standard relates to the quality specifications of sterilized milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of sterilized milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for sterilized milk.

National Dairy Standard - Fermented Milk - CH9095

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/National\%20Dairy\%20Standard\%20-\%20Fermented\%20Milk_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-1-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Fermented Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/129. This standard relates to the quality specifications of fermented milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of fermented milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for fermented milk.

National Dairy Standard - Evaporated Milk – CH9096

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20%20Evaporated%20Milk Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Evaporated Milk and Sweetened and Condensed Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/130. This standard relates to the quality specifications of this type of milk product. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of evaporated milk, sweetened condensed milk and formulated condensed milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for evaporated milk and sweetened condensed milk.

National Dairy Standard - Milk Powder - CH9097

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Milk%20Powder Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Milk Powder" as SPS/N/CHN/131. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk powder. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of milk powders. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for milk powders for direct consumption or further processing.

National Dairy Standard - Cream - CH9097

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Cream Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Cream, Butter and Anhydrous Milk Fat" as SPS/N/CHN/133. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard

applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of cream, butter and anhydrous milk fat. This standard does not apply to margarine. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for cream, butter and anhydrous milk fat.

National Dairy Standard – Cheese - CH9099

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Republic of China for Cheese" as SPS/N/CHN/134. This standard relates to the quality specifications of cheese. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. The proposed date of entry into force has not been specified. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of cheese. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for cheese.

National Dairy Standard – Whey Powders – CH9100

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Whey%20Powders Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Whey Powder" as SPS/N/CHN/132. This standard relates to the quality specifications of whey powder. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of products like de-mineralized whey powder, non-de-mineralized whey powder, whey protein concentrate (powder), whey protein isolate (powder), etc. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as requirements of the production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for edible whey powders.

National Dairy Standard – Processed Cheese – CH9101

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Processed%20Cheese Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Processed Cheese" as SPS/N/CHN/135. This standard relates to the quality specifications of processed cheese. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of process(ed) cheese. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for process(ed) cheese.

National Dairy Standard – Lactose – CH9102

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

 $\%20 Lactose_Beijing_China \%20-\%20 Peoples \%20 Republic \%20 of _12-1-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Lactose" as SPS/N/CHN/136. This standard relates to the quality specifications of lactose. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. The proposed date of entry into force has not been specified. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of lactose crystallized from whey and produced by drying, grinding etc. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for lactose.

National Dairy Standard – Infant Formula – CH9103

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Infant%20Formulas Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-1-2009.pdf

China notified the WTO of Standard for Infant Formulas as SPS/N/CHN/137. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of infant formulas. It specifies the requirements, testing methods, labeling and packaging for formulas intended for infants.

National Dairy Standard – Follow-up Formulas – CH9104

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Follow-up%20Formulas_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Follow-up Formulas" as SPS/N/CHN/138. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, monitoring of management of follow-up formulas, and specifies requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging and storage for follow-up formulas intended for infants and young children aged from six months to 36 months.

National Dairy Standard – Formulas for Special Medical Purposes – CH9105

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

 $\% 20 Formulas \% 20 for \% 20 Special \% 20 Medical \% 20 Purposes \% 20_Beijing_China \% 20-\% 20 Peoples \% 20 Republic \% 20 of_12-2-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intended for Infants" as SPS/N/CHN/139. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants. It specifies the requirements, testing methods, labeling and packaging for formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants aged from zero to 12 months.

National Dairy Standard – Canned Complementary Foods – CH9106

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Canned%20Complementary%20Foods_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Canned Complementary Foods for Infants and Young Children" as SPS/N/CHN/141. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of canned complementary foods for infant and young children. It specifies the product categories, technical requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging, transportation and storage requirements for canned food intended for infants and young children older than six months.

National Dairy Standard – GMP for Dairy – CH9107

 $\frac{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/National\%20Dairy\%20Standard\%20-\%20GMP\%20for\%20Dairy_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-16-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Good Manufacturing Practices for Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/142. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to manufacturing enterprises which use milk (or goat milk) and the processed products as the main raw material to process various types of dairy products. It specifies the site selection of dairy production enterprises and the factory environment, plants and workshops, equipment, sanitary management, raw materials and packaging materials requirements, food safety control of production process, product testing, storage and transportation, records and documents management, product traceability and recall, training, management agencies, and personnel requirements for the dairy production enterprises.

National Dairy Standard – Good Manufacturing Practices for Powder – CH9108

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

 $\underline{\%20Good\%20Manufacturing\%20Practices\%20for\%20Powder_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_12-2-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Good Manufacturing Practices for Powdered Milk Formula for Infants and Young Children" as SPS/N/CHN/143. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Trans Fatty Acids – CH9109

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Trans%20Fatty%20Acids%20%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf Translated

version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Trans Fatty Acids in Foods for Infants and Children" as SPS/N/CHN/150. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – B6 – CH9110

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20B6 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-11-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Vitamin B6 in Infant Foods and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/157. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Vitamin B12 – CH9111

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Vitamin%20B12_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Vitamin B12 in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/158. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard - Niacin - CH9112

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Niacin Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-3-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Niacin and Niacinamide in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk, and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/159. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Folic Acid – CH9113

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Folic%20Acid_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-3-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Folic Acid in Foods for Products for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/160. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Aflatoxin - 9114

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Aflatoxin Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-3-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/176. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Lead – CH9115

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Lead Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-3-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Lead in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/180. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard - Fluorine - CH9116

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

 $\%20 Flourine_Beijing_China\%20-\%20 Peoples\%20 Republic\%20 of_12-3-2009.pdf$

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of

Fluorine in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/181. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Arsenic – CH9117

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Arsenic Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-4-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Arsenic in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/182. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Benzoic Acid – CH9118

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Benzoic%20Acid%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 12-4-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Benzoic Acid and Sorbic Acid in Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/186. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Antibiotics – CH9119

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-

%20Antibiotics_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-4-2009.pdf

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Microbiological Examination of Foods: Examination of Residues of Antibiotics in Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/195. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

H1N1 Trade Related Measures-CH9054

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146357835.pdf

WTO announcements- G/SPS/N/CHN/116 and G/SPS/N/CHN/117

Translated version on June 5, 2009

China notified the WTO of two notices related to trade in swine and pork products. The two measures forbid imports of swine and swine products from Mexico and U.S. from areas where cases of A/H1N1 occurred. The measures become effective on the very date of announcements, separately April 26, 2009 and April 29, 2009.

Hygienic Standard for Processed Cheese (Draft)-CH9007

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Hygienic%20Standard%20for%20Processed%20Cheese_Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-25-2009.pdf

WTO announcement- G/SPS/N/CHN/113

Translated version on January 5, 2009

This measure is mandatory and applies to products that are made by mixing, melting, emulsifying, and pasteurizing products with cheese and emulsifying salts. It also specifies limits for the contaminants and micro-organisms.

Hygienic Standard for Fresh (Frozen) Meat of Livestock – CH6005

China's Ministry of Health published Standard GB2707-2005 to replace the previous pork and beef/mutton standards published in 1994 (GB2727-1994 and GB2708-1994). This standard specifies the hygienic indexes and testing methods for fresh (frozen) meat of livestock, as well as hygienic requirements for production/processing, labeling, packaging, transportation, and storage of these types of products.

Poultry National Standard – CH6001

SAC and AQSIQ issued National Standard on Fresh and Frozen Poultry Products (GB16869-2005). It replaces the previous poultry standard (GB16869-2000) (CH1060) and is the final version of the draft standard on poultry products (CH3052). This standard details the technical requirements for testing, hygiene, labeling, packaging, and storage requirements for fresh and frozen poultry products.

China Lifts Ban on Certain U.S. Live Poultry and Poultry Products – CH4057

Translated version: November 8, 2004

Related to WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/72

MOA and AQSIQ jointly issued Announcement No. 422 lifting the ban on U.S. live poultry and poultry products set in place by joint announcement numbers 344 (notified to the WTO in SPS/72), 241, 253, and 269. A ban on poultry products from Connecticut and Rhode Island remains in place as notified in joint announcements No. 257 and 280.

China notified AQSIQ Announcement 2004 No. 49 to the WTO on August 6, 2004 with implementation scheduled from November 2004. Sources indicate an extension, however, was granted. The Announcement requires meat products transiting Hong Kong for China to be pre-inspected in Hong Kong by the China Inspection Company along with other requirements for inner package labeling. The report also contains several appendices that indicate the status of countries eligible to ship meat to China, along with several forms and manuals.

China Bans U.S. Poultry and Poultry Products – CH4006

Translated version: February 10, 2004 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/72

MOA and AQSIQ jointly issued Announcement No. 344 banning imports of all U.S. poultry and poultry products following the detection of low pathogenic H7 avian influenza in the United States. The ban on products in this notification is now lifted for all U.S. poultry except from Connecticut and Rhode Island (see below).

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cream and Sparse Cream (Butter) - CH3115

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/76 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

Follow-up: On March 26, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard – Cream, Butter and Anhydrous Milkfat (GB 19646-1010), which came into force on December 1, 2010. Full text of the Standard in Chinese can be found at: http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201004/46935.htm

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Egg Products - CH3097

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB2749, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Animal Fats - CH3096 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/78 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10146, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Meat Products - CH3095

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/61 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB13100, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fresh and Frozen Meat of Livestock - CH3086

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/46 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2707, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cured Meat Products - CH3083

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/53 from February 13, 2004

GAIN report translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2730, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cooked Meat Products - CH3082

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/70 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2726, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cooked and Dried Meat Products - CH3078

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/58 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2729, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Milk Beverages - CH3067

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11673, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cheese - CH3066

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Whey Powder - CH3065

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/77 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11674, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Lactobacillus Beverages - CH3064

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16321, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Evaporated and Sweetened Condensed Milk - CH3063

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/48 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Pasteurized and Sterilized Milk - CH3062

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/63 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Milk Powders - CH3060

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/64 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version

has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Maximum Residue Levels of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Milk Products - CH3023

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB9676, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Fresh and Frozen Poultry Product Standard - CH3052

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/6 from August 9, 2002

Translated version: April 1, 2002

This DRAFT National Standard (GB16869-2002), announced to the WTO, is not yet implemented and the previous version (above) remains in force. The Ministry of Health, which has statutory responsibility for this Standard, published the Standard on April 1, 2002. Amendments to the WTO announcement indicate the Standard was to enter into force on April 1, 2003, however reports indicate the previous version remains in force.

Fresh and Frozen Demi-Carcass Pork Standard - CH2019

Translated version: July 20, 2001

This Standard (GB9959.1-2001) defines terminology for fresh and frozen demi-carcass pork and stipulates the technical requirements for grading pork and inspection methodology, inspection rules, labeling, packaging, storage and distribution.

Fresh and Frozen Pork Muscle Cuts Standard - CH2018

Translated version: July 20, 2001

This Standard (GB9959.2-2001) defines terminology for fresh and frozen pork cuts and stipulates the technical requirements for inspection methodology, inspection rules, labeling, packaging, storage and distribution.

Regulation on Animal Origin Feed Products - CH2035

Translated version: March 1, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/69

AQSIQ and the Ministry of Agriculture issued Joint Announcement Number 144 on March 1, 2001. This announcement prohibits imports of animal origin feed products from countries or areas known to have BSE or Scrapie. In addition, this announcement requires certain language to be attached to the exporting country sanitary certificate.

Regulation on Animal Origin Feed Products - CH3093

Translated version: March 1, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/72

AQSIQ and the Ministry of Agriculture issued Joint Announcement Number 143 on March 1, 2001. This Announcement regulates the importation of animal and animal products from BSE affected countries.

Fresh and Frozen Poultry Product Standard – CH1060

Translated version: December 29, 2000

This Standard (GB16869-2000), implemented on June 1, 2001, details the technical requirements for testing, hygiene, labeling, packaging, and storage requirements for fresh and frozen poultry products.

Fresh and Frozen Beef Cuts Standard - CH2020

Translated version: March 2, 1998

This Standard (GB/T17238-1998) defines terminology for the classification of fresh and frozen beef cuts. In addition, the standard provides the technical requirements, processing requirements, inspection methodology, inspection rules, grading requirements for beef cuts, and the labeling, packaging, storage and distribution requirements for fresh and frozen beef cuts.

* Fisheries and Forestry Products

* AQSIQ Notice No 286 on Import and Export of Aquatic Product – CH 11045

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/AQSIQ%20Notice%20No%20286%20on%20Import%20and%20
Export%20of%20Aquatic%20Product%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 10-11-2011.pdf
On May 25, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Notice on the Implementation of Administrative Measures on Inspection and Quarantine on Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (Guozhijian-2011 No.286). The Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision on

Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (hereinafter referred to as the Measures) which took effect on June 1, 2011, was notified to the WTO on April 20, 2010 as G/SPS/N/CHN/205. The Measures establish the requirements of inspection, quarantine and supervision for imported and exported aquatic products. While the Notice elaborated some detailed requirements on implementation of the Measures including "Requirements for Inspection and Quarantine on Cold Storage of Imported Aquatic Products" and "Basic Requirements for the Packaging of Imported Aquatic Products".

Live Seafood Import Certificate-CH9050

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347825.pdf

Translated version on December 11, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its website the "Explanations on Amendments to Rules of Inspection and Quarantine of Entering Edible Aquatic Species". This explanation amends AQSIQ Decree No.44 and requests exporting countries to add specific inspection and quarantine items in the hygiene certificate.

On December 11, 2008, AQSIQ published on its website the "Explanations on Amendments to Rules of Inspection and Quarantine on Entering Edible Aquatic Species".

(http://dzwjyjgs.aqsiq.gov.cn/zxjyjyyq/200812/t20081211_100208.html). The AQSIQ amendments request the exporting country to add detailed inspection and quarantine information to the export health certificate. As of the date of this report, the amendments have not been notified to the WTO.

Forest Management - CH8003

Translated version: January 16, 2008

In September 2007, the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China published a new forestry standard that applies to forestry certification and forest management practices. This standard details forest management practices, performance measurements, and auditing and assessment criteria relating to certification of sustainably produced forestry products. This report contains an OFFICIAL TRANSLATION provided by the Chinese Government.

Forest Certification, Chain of Custody - CH8002

Translated version: January 16, 2008

In September 2007, the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China published a new forestry standard that applies to forestry certification and chain of custody (CoC) certification. This standard details the management system put in place to ensure CoC certification for Chinese forestry products. This standard can be endorsed and utilized by any company that seeks CoC certification for the purposes of declaring and/or verifying the origin of the raw materials included in the production of forest products. This report contains an OFFICIAL TRANSLATION provided by the Chinese Government.

Notice on Imported Aquatic Product Quarantine Certificate - CH3007

Translated version: December 23, 2002

AQSIQ (2002) Notice No. 888 delays implementation of AQSIQ (2002) Announcement 31 (CH2061) until June 30, 2003. This report also includes an UNOFFICIAL translation of the certificate that is supposed to accompany all aquatic product imports by June 30, 2003.

Admin. Measures for Import and Export Aquatic Products Inspection and Quarantine - CH2061

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/22 from August 28, 2003

Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ issued (2002) Announcement 31 on November 6, 2002 for implementation from December 2002 (REVISED BY: CH3007, below). The Measures regulate the inspection and quarantine of aquatic products for import and export (including for import and re-export). The Measures also contain 3 appendices that relevant to storage facilities for imported aquatic products, inspection certificates of imported aquatic products, and the packaging of imported aquatic products.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Marine Algae and Algae Products - CH3051

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/47 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version

has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Salt and Liquor Saturated Aquatic Products of Animal Origin - CH3050

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/66 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10136, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Salted Fish - CH3049

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/57 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10138, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Dried Aquatic Products of Animal Origin - CH3048

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/56 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10144, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fresh and Frozen Seafood Products of Animal Origin -

CH3047

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/54 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2733, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Minced Aquatic Products - CH3046

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/67 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10132, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Flavoring from Aquatic Products - CH3045

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/55 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10133, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

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DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Fish - CH3044

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/68 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14939, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Maximum Levels of Polychlorobiphenyls in Seafood - CH3040

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/23 from October 24, 2003

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB9674, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

Quarantine Requirements for Logs - CH1062

Translated version: February 6, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/122

AQSIQ, SFA, and MOFCOM joint circular number 2 requires pest-free phytosanitary certification and treatment on all log imports with or without bark. The State Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) has statutory authority over the import and export of logs.

Fisheries Law - CH1053

Translated version: October 31, 2000

The scope of this Law includes improving the management of China's fishery resources, development of the aquaculture and fishing industry, and enforcement measures over China's fishing and aquaculture resources. Several articles address import and export of fry, fingerling, and the inspection of imported fishing vessels. The Administrative Department for Fisheries under the State Council has statutory authority over this law. In 2004, the National People's Congress amended article 16 of the Law to support fishery development and require new aquatic species development registration.

Forestry Law - CH1054

Translated version: April 29, 1998

The Law governs the use of land and materials in forest areas for shelter forests, timber forests, economic forests, firewood forests, and forests for special use. The Law also provides for forest management and administration, forest protection, tree planting and afforestation, and measures for sanctions. The State Forestry Administration under the State Council has statutory authority over this law.

*Grain and Feed

Feed Ingredient Catalogue (Final) - CH12079

 $\underline{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Feed\%20Ingredient\%20Catalogue\%20(Final)_Beijing_China\%20Public%20Republic%20GaIN\%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Public%20Republic%20GaIN%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China$

Translated version: June 1, 2012

On June 1, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published Decree No.1773, which is the final version of the Feed Ingredient Catalogue. This Feed Catalogue lists 87 Single Feed Ingredients that need to have a production license or import registration certificate by January 1, 2013. Both the draft Feed Ingredient Catalogue, published on March 7, 2012 (GAIN CH12029), and Decree No. 1773 were not notified to the World Trade Organization.

*National Food Safety Standard for Grain –CH12051

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20for%20Grain Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 7-27-2012.pdf

On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Grain as SPS/N/CHN/525. This standard applies to raw grains and grain products for human consumption, including cereals, beans, and potatoes. This standard does not apply to raw materials for the manufacture of edible oil. The date for submission of final comments to China is August 3, 2012. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

* Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives – CH12036 http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Requirements%20on%20Application%20Materials%20for%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additiv%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-25-2012.pdf

On May 2, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a Circular on Soliciting Public Comments on the Application Materials for the Administrative License of Feed and Feed Additive, which included seven Annexes related to requirements for application materials for feed and feed additive. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Circular and six Annexes from 2 to 7,

which regulate domestic feed and feed additive production issues (Note: Annex 1- Requirements for Application Materials for Import of Feed and Feed Additive was sent as GAIN report CH12035 on May 21, 2012). MOA requested all comments to be submitted no later than June 2, 2012.

* Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives – CH12035 <a href="http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Requirements%20on%20the%20Application%20Materials%20of%20the%20Import%20Feed%20and%20Fee Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-21-2012.pdf
On May 2, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a notice on soliciting comments on application materials for administrative approval for feed and feed additives. The notice is attached with requirements for application materials for seven different application situations. MOA said these requirements are based on the Administrative Measures for Feed and Feed Additives which was enforced on May 1, 2012. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation for one of the seven applications-Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives (other six application materials are relevant to domestic feed and feed additive manufacturing and are in the process of translation). MOA requested all comments on these requirements be submitted before June 2, 2012.

*MOA Regulation for Feed Quality and Safety Management (Draft for Public Comments) – CH12030 http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Draft%20Regulation%20for%20Feed%20Quality%20and%20Safety%20Management Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 4-9-2012.pdf
On March 27, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published "Regulation for Feed Quality Management (Draft for Public Comments)." This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this draft Regulation. MOA requests all interested stakeholders to submit comments before or on April 28, 2012. Although not notified to the World Trade Organization, MOA has not indicated when the final regulation will be in effect.

*Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (Amended Draft for Comments) -12024 http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additive%20Import%20Registration%20(Amended%20Dr_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-9-2012.pdf
On March 1, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a Notice on "Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (Amended Draft for Comments)" for public comments, which are due on March 31, 2012. This draft regulation replaces the current "Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (enforced on August 17, 2000)," and provides further details on Decree 609 (CH12008). Please note the MOA Notice provides details on major amendments to the regulation.

*Regulation on the Administration of Feed and Feed Additives (FINAL) - CH12008
http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives%20(FINAL) Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 2-8-2012.pdf
On November 3, 2011, China's State Council published Decree No.609 on Regulation on the Administration of Feed and Feed Additives, which was approved by China's State Council on October 26, 2011, and will enter into force on May 1, 2012. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Regulation. The Feed and Feed Additive Regulation (Draft) was published on February 20, 2010 (GAIN 10009). The Regulation (FINAL) was not notified to the World Trade Organization. Preliminary study of the Regulation (FINAL) shows no significant changes from the Draft. U.S. industry is recommended to pay attention to Chapter 2 for Verification and Registration for exports of feed and feed additives to China.

*Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Grain and Feed Products - CH11053 http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20of%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20on%20Entry-Exit%20GBeijingChina%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 11-21-2011.pdf
This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Grain and Feed Products which was published and entered into force on March 1, 2002. China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) provided this documents to USDA as China's Laws and Regulations covering inspection and quarantine of soybean imports.

Feed Additive Catalog – CH10011

 $http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Feed\%20Additive\%20Catalog_Beijing_China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of_3-9-2010.pdf$

Translated version: March 1, 2010

China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) announced an open comment period for the solicitation of suggestions on the feed

catalog. Due to increasing use of imported feed and feed additives, China's feed catalog and its feed registration process have been increasingly important to U.S. exporters. This announcement presents U.S. companies with a unique opportunity to formally submit comments to the Government of China regarding suggestions for improving or updating this document.

Feed and Feed Additive Regulation (Draft) - CH10009

 $\underline{\text{http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent\%20GAIN\%20Publications/Feed\%20and\%20Feed\%20Additive\%20Regulation\%20(Draft)_B}\\ \underline{\text{eijing China\%20-\%20Peoples\%20Republic\%20of }3\text{-}2\text{-}2010.pdf}$

Translated version: February 20, 2010

The State Council's Legislative Office published a draft regulation on feed and feed additives for domestic comment. The deadline for comments was March 15.

Implementation Feed Quarantine Regulation 118 – CH9074

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Implementation%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation%20118
Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-25-2009.pdf

Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) on the Supervision and Management Measures for the Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives. Decree 118 was published as GAIN report CH9071. These regulations went into force on September 1. The original Chinese version is at the following address: http://dzwjyjgs.aqsiq.gov.cn/rdgz/200908/t20090828_125350.html

Risk Levels for Trade of Animal Feed and Feed Additives – CH9075

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Risk%20Levels%20for%20Trade%20of%20Animal%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-28-2009.pdf Translated version: August 27, 2009

The Administration for Quality, Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) released Announcement 79 on —Issuing the Risk Levels and Inspection and Quarantine Supervision Methods for Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives||. The announcement specifies risk categories for certain types of animal feed and feed additives. The risk level determines the type of inspection procedure an import will receive upon importation into China. This measure is for immediate adoption. This Announcement was issued in accordance with AQSIQ Decree No. 118 (GAIN Report CH9071), —Supervision and Management Measures for the Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives||. In addition to Announcement 79, the entry for the United States in the AQSIQ approved catalog of feed and feed additives for importation by countries/regions has been added to the end of this report as an addendum by FAS. The entry was taken from the catalog published on September 15, 2009.

New Feed Quarantine Regulation – AQSIQ Decree 118– CH9071

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/New%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-8-2009.pdf

Translated version: July 20, 2009

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) published a final regulation related to quarantine inspection for feeds and feed additives. This regulation went into force on September 1, 2009. This regulation was originally sent to the WTO in July 2008 as SPS/109. The United States and other countries commented on the draft.

National Standard for Corn-CH9057

http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146357841.pdf

Translated version on March 28, 2009

The Standardization Administration of China published the National Standard for Corn (GB1353-2009), which will come into force on September 1, 2009. This standard specifies the terms and definitions, classifications, quality and hygienic requirements, inspection rules and methods, and labeling, packaging, transportation and storage requirements for corn. The draft of this standard was notified to the WTO on July 3, 2008 as TBT/N/CHN/403 (refer to CH8069). Compared with the draft, the final version contains minor changes. The most significant ones are about corn classification and the corn quality indicators.

National Standard for Corn-CH8069 http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200808/146295531.pdf WTO announcement-TBT/N/CHN/403 Translated version on July 3, 2008 This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn. This standard also applies to testing, evaluation and identification of the quality of corn.

Revised National Standard for Wheat - CH8033

Translated version: May 1, 2008

On May 1, 2008, China's revised national standard for wheat entered into force. This standard was originally notified to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/328 in December 2007. The revised standard brings Chinese quality standards closer to international standards though one labeling issue remains of concern. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

Hygienic Standards for Animal Feed - CH6084

Translated version: October 10, 2001

On October 10, 2001, the General Administration of Quality Supervision Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) of Peoples' Republic of China issued "Hygienic Standards For Feeds." These standards relate to allowable limits of certain compounds in animal feeds, the relevant testing methods, and additional regulations governing certain animal health standards. This standard applies to imported and domestic animal feeds.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Corn Sweetener - CH3114

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB15203, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Starch Products - CH3101

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2713, to solicit comments.

* Horticultural and Tropical Products

* National Food Safety Standard on Honey (draft)

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Honey%20(draft)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-19-2011.pdf

On May 10, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Honey (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/362 to solicit comments until May 18, 2011. This report contains an unofficial translation of the draft standard.

Follow-up: On April 20, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard – Honey (GB14963-2011).

China's 2008 Import Tariffs on Vegetable Products – CH8043

This report contains China's import tariffs levied on vegetable products, including grains, oilseeds, fruits, nuts, nursery products, and other vegetable products found in Section II, Chapters 6-14, of China's Harmonized Tariff Schedule. These tariffs were last revised on Dec 31, 2006. On May 28, 2008, China announced adjustments to import tariffs for six commodities covering 26 tariff lines. This report is an updated version of CH6036. For background information on the harmonized tariff system please look at CH6034. For a table that includes all of the recent adjustments please see CH8040.

AQSIQ 2004 Decree 68, the Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision of Entry Fruit – CH5004 Translated version: December 24, 2004

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/80

AQSIQ notified these DRAFTED Measures on Entry Fruit. The Measures will replace AQSIQ (1999) No. 12, mentioned below, when fully adopted. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Measures that include new requirements for product labeling along with additional certification for product re-exported to China via other port areas; including Hong Kong.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Sugars – CH4007

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/49 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: February 13, 2004

The DRAFTED Standard, GB13104, was published and notified to the WTO. A final approved version is not available, therefore all previous version cited in this report remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Preserved Fruit - CH3088

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14884, to solicit comments. DRAFTED Maximum Levels of Patulin in Apple and Hawthorn Products - CH3039

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14974, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Dried Fruit - CH3084 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/74 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16325, to solicit comments.

Fruit Entry Quarantine Regulation - CH1058 Translated version: December 9, 1999 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/113

This Regulation, AQSIQ (1999) No. 12 applies to imported fresh fruits and tomatoes, eggplants, and the genus Capsicum and relevant packaging. The Regulation details the quarantine application, quarantine inspection, and quarantine supervision procedures for importers of the above-mentioned items. The State Administration for Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine (CIQ) has now merged with the State Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ). Provincial level offices or port CIQ's have not completed this merger. AQSIQ and the port CIQ have statutory responsibility for this regulation.

* Processed Products

*National Food Safety Standard-Distilled Spirits – CH12059

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Distilled%20Spirits_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_10-17-2012.pdf

On August 6, 2012, China's Ministry of Health published Public Notice [2012] No.14, National Food Safety Standard – Distilled Spirits and Integrated Alcoholic Beverages, scheduled for implementation February 1, 2013, with the exception of Article 4.2 to Article 4.4, which will come into effect August 1, 2013). The draft Standard was notified to the WTO as SPS CHN 377 on July 13, 2011.

*National Food Safety Standard - Fermented Alcoholic Beverages - CH12058

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Alcoholic%20Beverages Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 10-17-2012.pdf On August 6, 2012, China's Ministry of Health published Public Notice [2012] No.14, National Food Safety Standard – Fermented Alcoholic Beverages and their Integrated Alcoholic Beverages, scheduled for implementation February 1, 2013, with the exception of Article 4.2 to Article 4.5, which will come into effect on August 1, 2013. The draft Standard was notified to the WTO as SPS CHN 361 on May 10, 2011. Note: The final Standard differs from the draft standard in

*National Food Safety Standard on Chocolate and Its Products -CH12050

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Chocolate %20and%20Its%20Products%20%20%20 Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 7-27-2012.pdf On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Chocolate and Its Products as SPS/N/CHN/524. This standard applies to chocolate and chocolate products, as well as imitation of chocolate and chocolate products. This standard prescribes the terms, definitions, and technical requirements etc. The date for submission of final comments to

*Food Safety Standard on Quick Frozen Flour and Rice Products (draft)

China is August 3, 2012. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Quick%20Frozen%20Fl our%20and%20Rice%20Products%20(draft) Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-19-2011.pdf On May 10, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Quick Frozen Flour

and Rice Products (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/363 to solicit comments until May 18, 2011. Follow-up: on November 21, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Quick Frozen Flour

and Rice Products (GB 19295-2011)

China's 2008 Import Tariffs on Processed Foods, Spirits, and Tobacco – CH8045

This report contains China's import tariffs that it levies on prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes, found in Section IV, Chapters 16-24, of China's Harmonized Tariff Schedule. These tariffs were last revised on Dec 31, 2006. On May 28, 2008, China announced adjustments to import tariffs for six commodities covering 26 tariff lines. This report is an updated version of CH6038. For background information on the harmonized tariff system please look at CH6034. For a table that includes all of the recent adjustments please see CH8040.

Standard for Colorants in Health Foods – CH8030

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a standard that specifies the maximum use levels of certain colorants in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/107. The comment period on this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

Standards for Preservatives in Health Foods – CH8031

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a new standard regarding certain preservatives in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/105. The comment period on this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

Sweetener Standard in Health Foods – CH8029

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a standard that specifies the maximum use levels of certain sweeteners in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/106. The comment period for this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

Draft General Standard for Beverages - CH6108

WTO Announcement: TBT/N/CHN/235 from November 16, 2006

Issued by the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and the Standardization Administration of China (SAC). The draft standard specifies the classification, definition and technical requirements of the 11 major categories and 48 sub-categories of beverages. It will replace national standard "Classification of Soft Drinks - GB10789-1996" and contains a more detailed product classification and adjusted technical requirements that reference the relevant Codex standards. The comment period ended on January 15, 2007 and proposed date of entry into force is September 15, 2007.

Follow-up: GB 10789-2007.

China Partially Renews Re-export Policy for Hides and Skins – CH6098

Translated version: September 2006

In January and September 2006, China implemented new regulations that altered the trade policy related to the export of products made of hides and skins. In January, the Chinese Government eliminated hides and skins products from preferential export programs. However, in September, China loosened these restrictions and partially re-instituted the same export support programs for the most high value leather products. China issued Decree No. 63 "Adjustment on Policy on Processing Trade of Hides and Skins" and Announcement No. 390 "Relevant Issues about Processing Trade of Hides and Skins" to implement these changes. According to these two documents, this partial policy reversal was made "in an effort to maintain the highly developed industry relations between the upstream and downstream chains of the leather industry." The new policy took effect on September 15, 2006 and will remain in effect on December 31, 2008.

DRAFTED National Standard for Wines - CH6026

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/197

AQSIQ published this DRAFT Standard, GB15037-2005, to solicit comments.

Follow-up: GB15037-2006

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Foods for Frying - CH3116

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16565, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Edible Fungi - CH3108

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7098, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Breakfast Cereal - CH3107 WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/62 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Biscuits/Cookies - CH3105

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7100, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Pastry and Bread - CH3104

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB7099, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Puffed Foods – CH3103

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB17401, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Soy Sauce – CH3102

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2717, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Preserved Vegetables - CH3089

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2714, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Jellies - CH3085

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cocoa Powder Based Solid Drinks - CH3081

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/71 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Chewing Gum - CH3079

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17399, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Fruits and Vegetables - CH3077

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11671, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Candy - CH3076

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB9678.1, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Concentrated Fruit and Vegetable Juice for the Food Industry - CH3075

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/59 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17325, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fruit and Vegetable Juice - CH3074

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Vegetable Protein Beverages - CH3073

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16322, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Bottled Purified Potable Water - CH3072

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17324, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Bottled Potable Water - CH3071

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Frozen Drinks - CH3069

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2759.1, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Solid Beverages - CH3068

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7101, to solicit comments.

Hygienic Standard for Edible Alcohols - CH3059

Translated version: February 13, 2003

The Standard, GB10343-2002, was published in the China Food Newspaper after being approved by China's Ministry of

Health.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Carbonated Drinks - CH3055

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2759.2, to solicit comments.

"Wholesome" Food Administration Regulation - CH2032

Translated version: April 29, 2002

MOA and AQSIQ jointly announced 2002 Decree No. 12 that applies to the domestic production of "Wholesome Agricultural Products." The measures provide guidelines in determining production management, certification and testing of products and production areas, "wholesome" product labeling, and monitoring management or enforcement of these administrative measures. These voluntary measures differ from "Organic" and "Green Food" (see CH 1072 and CH1059) standards. "Green Food" and "Organic" standards are considered more stringent labels than "Wholesome." The purpose for all three measures and standards is to regulate or reduce agro-chemical inputs, such as pesticides and fertilizers.

"Green Food" Standard - CH1059

Translated version: October 1997

"Green Food," a term similar but different in meaning to "Organic Food," is under the scope of this standard. The Standards are published in a handbook that provides for the appropriate classification, use, and requirements for food products to be labeled "Green Food" and sold on the domestic market. The Standard specifies the environment, fertilizers, pesticides, and other chemicals and the respective dosages that can be used on foods and carry the green food label. MOA has statutory authority for this Standard.

Health Food Standard - CH1049

Translated version: February 28, 1997

This MOH Health Food National Standard (GB16740-1997) provides guidelines for the manufacturing, labeling, and hygiene of the health (functional) food industry in China. The Standard provides some specific requirements for imported health (functional) foods for the Chinese domestic market. The State Council delegated MOH statutory authority for this regulation.

Soft Drink Classification Standard - CH1061

Translated version: December 17, 1996

This standard establishes classifications for the following beverage drinks that are produced or marketed in China: carbonated drinks, fruit juices (pulps) and drinks, vegetable juice and drinks, drinks containing milk, vegetable protein drinks, bottled water, tea drinks, powdered drinks, specific drinks, and other drinks. The standard conforms to CODEX requirements.

Administration Regulation for Health Food - CH1050

Translated version: June 1, 1996.

This MOH regulation provides the administration regulations for the examination and approval, production, marketing, and supervision of the health (functional) food industry. Several articles address specific approvals and requirements for imported health (functional) foods. MOH has the statutory authority responsible for monitoring this regulation.

Section VIII. Copyright and/or Trademark Laws:

Measures for Administration of Geographical Indications (GI) of Agricultural Products - CH8006

Translated version: January 30, 2008

The Ministry of Agriculture recently published "Measures for Administration of Geographical Indications (GI) of Agricultural Products." This measure will go into effect on February 1, 2008. The issuance of GI registration system by the Ministry of Agriculture brings the total number of competing systems to three. Currently, the Trademark Law of China protects GIs in the form of certification marks or collective marks. Additionally, the "Rules of Protection of Products of Geographical Indication" issued by General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) also provides protection for GIs.

The three systems do not clearly indicate the level of interoperability or if approval in one GI registration system applies to all three. In fact, it appears that each is independent and registration in one system does not provide protection under the other two. Moreover, the lack of transparency is confusing to registrants because it creates an unclear legal environment by failing to clarify which system takes precedence. However, the trademark registration system under the Trademark Law is generally considered superior because of its higher legal power relative to the rules and measures used to administer the AQSIQ and MOA GI administration regimes.

Protecting Plant Varieties in China: Alternatives – CH7030

FAS China: April 24, 2007

There are three methods to protect the intellectual property of plant products in China: 1) trademark, 2) method patent, and 3) new plant variety right. This report outlines the steps and decisions regarding how to protect plant varieties in China.

Protecting Your Intellectual Property Rights – CH7028

FAS China: April 9, 2007

China's rapid growth in production, income and spending has led to a commensurate growth in demand for food and other products. While quality U.S. food products often make it to store shelves, an estimated 20-30 percent of products are counterfeit. Big companies that have established themselves in China include protecting their intellectual property as an integral part of the cost of doing business. This means registering your patent, copyright or trademark with the appropriate Chinese registration office, and ensuring you understand and use the progressive enforcement mechanisms available in China to stop infringers.

Measures for Administration of Geographical Indication Signs Products – CH7027

FAS China: April 10, 2007

The State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) issued the "Measure for Administration of Special Signs of Geographical Indication Products", indicating Geographical Indications (GI) as signs of products which have been registered

with the SAIC's Trademark Office.

Going to China?: Trademark your Intellectual Property Now! - CH7023

FAS China: March 22, 2007

By some estimates, United States producers lost more than \$84 billion last year from intellectual property rights infringements in the People's Republic of China. Automobiles, sports equipment, drugs, food and other agricultural products all suffer. The more a product is recognized as a quality product, the more likely it is to be counterfeited and sold in the local market, in other countries, or even re-exported to the U.S. China is rapidly developing the tools necessary for you to protect your intellectual property, however. A very small investment of time and money can provide large dividends and future protection.

Protecting U.S. Food and Ag. Intellectual Property Rights in China - CH5035

FAS China: May 6, 2005

Though China strengthened its legal framework and amended its intellectual property rights (IPR) laws and regulations to comply with its WTO Agreements, IPR infringements of U.S. agriculture and food products remain a serious problem. In this report FAS China offers ways to strengthen protection of U.S. patents, trademarks, copyrights, plant varieties, geographical indicators, food labels, and other IPR in China and third-country markets.

Copyrights, Trademarks, and Patents - CH2049

Version: October 10, 2002

The document provides Internet site addresses to view UNOFFICIAL translations of the Copyright Law, Copyright Law Implementation Regulations, Trademark Law, Trademark Law Enforcement Measures, Patent Law, and Patent Law Administrative Enforcement Measures.

Section IX. Import Procedures:

FINAL IMPORT APPROVAL OF ANY PRODUCT IS SUBJECT TO THE IMPORTING COUNTRY'S RULES AND REGULATIONS AS INTERPRETED BY BORDER OFFICIALS AT THE TIME OF PRODUCT ENTRY.

Exporters of U.S. food and agricultural products may contact the offices listed under Section One of this report or the U.S. Department of Agriculture Foreign Agriculture Service Home Office Directory of Cooperators (www.fas.usda.gov/scripts/mos/HomeOffResults.asp?Div=ALL) for additional clarification or assistance.

* FAIRS Export Certificate Report – CH12083

Annual Exporter Guide – CH7823 ATO Shanghai: December 31, 2007

In 2006, China Customs reported total agriculture, fisheries and forest product imports of over \$40 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not including fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for nearly \$5 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented products, despite setbacks in beef, pork and poultry trade. As incomes continue to grow, and buying habits change, U.S. exporters are advised to invest in market research and taste testing before launching new products.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH6821 ATO Shanghai: November 7, 2006

In 2005, China Customs reported total agriculture, fisheries and forest product imports of over \$35 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not including fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for over \$3 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented products, despite setbacks in beef exports to China. As incomes continue to grow, China is showing signs of becoming a more consumption-driven economy.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH5823 ATO Shanghai: November 8, 2005 In 2004, China Customs reported agriculture, fisheries and forest products imports of over

\$33 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not include fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for over \$3 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented

products, despite setbacks in both poultry and beef exports to China. As incomes continue to grow, China is showing signs of becoming a more consumption-driven economy.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH4824 ATO Shanghai: October 20, 2004

This report provides an overview of the China market along with exporter business tips, analysis of market sector structure and trends, information on best high-value product prospects, contact information for importer assistance, and statistics on agricultural trade.

China's imports of agricultural, fisheries, and forestry products continue climbing as China's processing sector demand for both re-export and domestic markets continues growing. Additionally, imports of processed and ready-to-eat foods and beverages are making steady ground as incomes grow and wealthier consumers' willingness to try new products expands.

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