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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

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| 1. | Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA |
| | If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: US Environmental Protection Agency |
| 3. | Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): All food commodities |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: |
| | [X] All trading partners |
| | [] Specific regions or countries: |
| 5. | Title of the notified document: Bacillus Amyloliquefaciens MBI600 (Antecedent Bacillus Subtilis MBI600); Amendment to an Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Language(s): English Number of pages: 3 |
| | https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-12-16/html/2015-31462.htm |
| 6. | Description of content: This regulation amends the existing exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of the microbial pesticide <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain <i>MBI</i> 600 to change the name to <i>Bacillus amyloliquefaciens</i> strain <i>MBI</i> 600 (antecedent <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain <i>MBI</i> 600) in or on all food commodities, including residues resulting from post-harvest uses, when applied or used in accordance with good agricultural practices. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests. |
| 8. | Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: |
| | [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) |
| | [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) |
| | [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) |
| | [X] None |
| | Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? |
| | [] Yes [] No |
| | If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: |
| 9. | Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: |

- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 16 December 2015Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 16 December 2015
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 December 2015
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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