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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
<b>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):</b> Livestock products
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Amendments to the Regulation on Declaration and Inspection for Imported Livestock Products. <b>Language(s):</b> Korean. <b>Number of pages:</b> 20 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/KOR/21_6458_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/KOR/21_6458_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The main proposed amendments are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- regulating detailed procedures, such as the contents of the notification from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) and the time frames of the submission of the result of the cause investigation and corrective actions from an exporting country in the cases where MFDS requests the government of the exporting country to make corrections on a foreign establishment in which hazard has been found at the border inspections in Korea, stipulating necessary measures taken by MFDS if the exporting country does not provide requested information or its corrective actions are not appropriate;</li><li>- increasing the frequency of an on-site inspection up to five consecutive times for the same livestock products from the same establishment when non-compliance in total consignment is identified at the on-site inspection;</li><li>- expanding the range of information to be disclosed, such as inspection items when standards and specifications are newly established or reinforced.</li></ul>
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Administrative Notice of Ministry of Food and Drug Safety No. 2021-473, 5 October 2021 (available in Korean)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Expected for adoption on January 2022 (to be determined).</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Expected for adoption on January 2022 (to be determined).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 6 December 2021</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do 363-700, Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">http://www.mfds.go.kr</a>. Also available from:</p> <p>International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do Tel: +(82 43) 719 1597 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>