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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

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 Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: 4. All trading partners [X] [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Bacillus Amyloliquefaciens Strain PTA-4838; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Language(s): English Number of pages: 4 https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-24/html/2016-15006.htm 6. Description of content: This regulation establishes an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of the Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain PTA-4838 on all food commodities when applied or used as a fungicide, nematocide, or plant growth regulator. This regulation eliminates the need to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain PTA-4838. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, 7. [] 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: Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 9.

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 24 June 2016

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[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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