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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

| 1. | Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> | | | | | |
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| | If applicable, name of local government involved: | | | | | |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Food and Drug Safety | | | | | |
| 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): Testing laboratories (foods, livestock products, pharmaceutical drugs, traditional Korean medicine, medical devices, cosmetics) | | | | | |
| 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: Proposal to Amend Enforcement Regulation of the Act on Testing and Inspection of Food and Drugs Language(s): Korean Number of pages: 55 | | | | | |
| | http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/KOR/16_2620_00_x.pdf | | | | | |
| 6. | Description of content: | | | | | |
| | This proposal seeks to: a. Allow testing and inspection activities records to be documented not only in paper, but also in electronic format. | | | | | |
| 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) <i>(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)</i> | | | | | |
| | [] 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: | | | | | |

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| 9. | Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Testing and Inspection of Food and Drugs Act (available in Korean) | | | | | |
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| 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. | | | | | | |
| | Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. | | | | | |
| 11. | Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. | | | | | |
| | [] Trade facilitating measure | | | | | |
| 12. | Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 August 2016 | | | | | |
| | Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: | | | | | |
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| 13. | Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: | | | | | |
| | Documents are available from the Korea Ministry of Government Legislation website at <u>http://www.law.go.kr</u> . | | | | | |
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