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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: The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)
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): Fresh star apple
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[ ] All trading partners
	[X] Specific regions or countries: Viet Nam
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Notice of Availability: Pest Risk Analysis: Importation of Fresh Star Apple Fruit from Vietnam into the Continental United States (Docket # APHIS-2016-0032) <b>Language(s):</b> English <b>Number of pages:</b> 1
	https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=APHIS-2016-0032-0001
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is advising the public that we have prepared a pest risk analysis that evaluates the risks associated with importation of fresh star apple fruit from Viet Nam into the continental United States. Based on the analysis, we have determined that the application of one or more designated phytosanitary measures will be sufficient to mitigate the risks of introducing or disseminating plant pests or noxious weeds via the importation of fresh star apple fruit from Viet Nam. We are making the pest risk analysis available to the public for review and comment.  Federal Register/Vol. 81, No. 138/Tuesday, 19 July 2016/Pg. 46886.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] 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:
- Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable
   Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 19 September 2016

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:

You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to

http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail; D=APHIS-2016-0032.

Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2016-0032, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail:D=APHIS-2016-0032">http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail:D=APHIS-2016-0032</a>.

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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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