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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: NEW ZEALAND If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. **Agency responsible:** Ministry for Primary Industries 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): Mushroom growing medium 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: Import Health Standard: Phase 3 Mushroom Growing Medium. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 14 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/NZL/16 5159 00 e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/NZL/16 5159 01 e.pdf 6. Description of content: The IHS: Phase 3 Mushroom Growing Medium contains specific import requirements. These are the rules to manage the biosecurity risk associated with (i) the plant-based components of the growing medium and (ii) regulated pests of common mushroom (Agaricus bisporus) that may be present in the growing medium. 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): [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM 4 Requirements for the establishment of pest free areas ISPM 7 Phytosanitary certification system ISPM 12 Phytosanitary certificates - ISPM 14 The use of integrated measures in a systems approach for pest risk management ISPM 23 Guidelines for inspection ISPM 24 Guidelines for the determination and recognition of equivalence of phytosanitary measures

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] 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:
 - Risk Management Proposal: New Import Health Standard for Phase 3 Mushroom Growing Medium
 - Draft Guidance Document: Phase 3 Mushroom Growing Medium
 - Draft Import risk analysis: Phytosanitary Risks of Importing Phase III Agaricus bisporus Mushroom Compost from Northern Europe
 - Discussion Document for the Importation of Fertilisers and Growing Media containing Plant Material

All documents are available in English.

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 8 March 2017

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 8 March 2017

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 March 2017
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 February 2017

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