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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department of Fisheries (DOF)
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): Artemia (<i>Artemia</i> sp.) and Artemia cyst
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Establish conditions for the importation of Artemia and Artemia cysts in B.E. 2567. Language(s): Thai and English. Number of pages: 4 and 5 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_03828_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_03828_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This regulation aims to control and prevent epidemics caused by Artemia and Artemia cysts, which are classified as other types of animals according to the notification of the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives specifying such animals under the Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2558 dated 27 June 2024 and the Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2565, (d) invertebrates (2) crab, shrimp, mantis shrimp and other in <i>Phylum Crustacea</i> , are restricted from spreading within the country due to imports. This restriction aims to prevent potential impacts on the country's marine shrimp industry and ensure alignment with the current imports of Artemia and Artemia cysts. By virtue of the provisions of Section 2 of the Department of Livestock Development's Order No. 309/2566, assigning the issuance of permits and setting conditions for the import, export, or transit of animals or animal carcasses, dated 31 March 2024 under the Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2566, the Director-General of the Department of Fisheries hereby cancels the Department of Fisheries notification entitled Establish conditions for the importation of Artemia and Artemia cysts B.E. 2566, dated 29 May 2024 under the Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2566, and issues the notification entitled Establish conditions for the importation of Artemia and Artemia cysts B.E. 2567.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. <i>Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>):</p> <p>1) Chapter 9.1 (Acute hepatopancreatic necrosis disease) 2) Chapter 9.6 (Infection with infectious myonecrosis virus) 3) Chapter 9.7 (Infection with <i>Macrobrachium rosenbergii</i> nodavirus (White tail disease)) 4) Chapter 9.9 (Infection with white spot syndrome virus)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. <i>ISPM number</i>):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Animal Epidemics Act B.E. 2558 (2015)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 3 May 2024 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 3 May 2024</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 4 May 2024 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900; Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Websites: http://www.acfs.go.th https://spsthailand.acfs.go.th/th/main</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Websites: http://www.acfs.go.th https://spsthailand.acfs.go.th/th/main</p>