



NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Environment and Water (MOEW)
3.	<b>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):</b> Fertilizers and Soil Conditioners/Soil Amendments/Phytosanitary Certificate
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Ministerial Decree on Regulating the: Production, Importing and Circulating of Fertilizers and Soil Conditioners <b>Language(s):</b> Arabic <b>Number of pages:</b> 42 <a href="http://www.moew.gov.ae/ar/our-services/fertilizers-and-soil-enhancers">http://www.moew.gov.ae/ar/our-services/fertilizers-and-soil-enhancers</a> <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/ARE/15_3504_00_x.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/ARE/15_3504_00_x.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The proposed Ministerial Decree includes phytosanitary measures for importing organic fertilizers/soil conditioners/amendments from all trading partners aiming to provide protection against the introduction of plant pests.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) ISPM 12:2001, Section 1.1: Importing countries should only require Phytosanitary certificates for regulated articles. [...] Phytosanitary certificates may also be used for certain plant products that have been processed where such products, by their nature or that of their processing, have a potential for introducing regulated pests (e.g. wood, cotton). [...] ISPM 11:2004, Sections 2.2.1.5 and 2.2.3: When analyzing the probabilities of transfer of pests to a suitable host and of their spread after establishment, one of the factors to be considered is the intended use of the commodity.

<p>ISPM 32:2009, Section 2: NPPOs may categorize a commodity by taking into account if it has been processed or not, the method and degree of processing and where appropriate the intended use. Category 2. Commodities have been processed but remain capable of being infested with some quarantine pests.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 October 2015</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 September 2015</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input 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>Eng. Sumaia Abdul Rahim Al Rais  Head of Notification and Inquiry Section  Ministry of Environment and Water  P.O. Box 1509  United Arab Emirates - Dubai  Tel: +(971 4) 214 8414  Fax: +(971 4) 265 5822  Mobile: +(971 50) 450 0606  E-mail: saalrais@moew.gov.ae  Website: <a href="http://www.moew.gov.ae">http://www.moew.gov.ae</a></p>
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