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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Addendum

The following communication, received on 10 September 2014, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Final Rule: Imports: Litchi and Longan Fruit from Vietnam (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0116)

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is amending the fruits and vegetables regulations to allow the importation of litchi and longan fruit from Vietnam into the continental United States. As a condition of entry, litchi and longan fruit from Vietnam will be subject to a systems approach that includes requirements for treatment and inspection and restrictions on the distribution of the fruit. This action will allow for the importation of litchi and longan fruit from Vietnam into the United States while continuing to provide protection against the introduction of quarantine pests.

This notice is available in English at: http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2010-0116-0007

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On 25 October 2011, we published in the Federal Register (76 FR 65985-65988, Docket No. APHIS-2010-0116) a proposal to amend the regulations by allowing fresh litchi (Litchi chinensis Sonn.) and longan (Dimocarpus longan Lour.) to be imported from Vietnam into the continental United States subject to a systems approach that would include requirements for treatment and inspection and restrictions on the distribution of the fruit. We solicited comments concerning our proposal for 60 days ending 27 December 2011. We received two comments by that date.

This addendum concerns a:

[]	Modification of final date for comments
[X]	Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
[]	Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
[]	Withdrawal of proposed regulation
[]	Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
[]	Other:

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

[]	Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and	l/or
	(dd/mm/yy): This rule is effective 6 October 2014.	

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:

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