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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Addendum

NOTIFICATION

The following communication, received on 4 December 2013, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Descriptive Designation for Needle- or Blade-Tenderized (Mechanically Tenderized) Beef Products

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is reopening the comment period for its proposed rule on the descriptive designation of needle- or blade-tenderized (mechanically tenderized) beef products that appeared in the Federal Register on 10 June 2013. FSIS is reopening this comment period for 21 days because the extended comment period on this proposed rule closed during the recent partial Government shutdown.

This addendum concerns a:

[X]	Modification of final date for comments
[]	Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
[]	Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
ij	Withdrawal of proposed regulation
įį	Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
įį	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/or (dd/mm/yy): 24 December 2013

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:

Comments may be submitted by either of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to http://www.regulations.gov/. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.: Send to Docket Room Manager, US Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Patriots Plaza 3, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Mailstop 3782, Room 8-163B, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

Hand- or courier-delivered submittals: Deliver to Patriots Plaza 3, 355 E. Street SW., Room 8-163B, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS-2008-0017. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to http://www.regulations.gov. Docket: For access to background documents or to comments received, go to the FSIS Docket Room at Patriots Plaza 3, 355 E. Street SW., Room 8-164, Washington, DC 20250-3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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