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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>PANAMA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Dirección de Normas y Tecnología Industrial</i> (Directorate for Standards and Industrial Technology) (responsible for processing notifications) <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b> As above.
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> 13.030.20
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> <i>Reglamento Técnico DGNTI COPANIT N 47-2000. Protección de la salud y del ambiente. Seguridad. Líquidos residuales. Lodos. Agua. Uso y disposición final de Lodos</i> (Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology-Panamanian Commission for Industrial and Technical Standards (DGNTI-COPANIT) Technical Regulation No. 47-2000, "Protection of health and the environment. Safety. Waste liquids. Sludge. Water. Use and final disposal of sludge") (9 pages, in Spanish)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Purpose and scope, general definitions, requirements, sampling, and tests.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The main aims of this Technical Regulation are to protect public health, natural resources and the environment, and to ensure the use of a valuable source of nutrients (proteins, fertilizing elements and soil improvers) in farming activities in the Republic of Panama.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter Sewage Sludge, pages 636-686, July 1996;</li><li>• National Research Council, Use of Reclaimed Water and Sludge in Food Crop Production, 1996;</li><li>• Water Environment Federation (WEF), Sludge Dewatering - Manual of Practice No. 9, WPCF, Alexandria, VA - USA, 1995.</li></ul>
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Adopted July 2000 / Addenda January 2008 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Immediately
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> Not applicable

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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