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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>EGYPT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya Cairo – Egypt E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:tbteos@eos.org.eg">tbteos@eos.org.eg</a> Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a> Tel.: +(202) 22845528 Fax: +(202) 22845504  <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>
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> Food grade salt
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Decree No. 536 for the year 2015 concerning the modified Egyptian Standard ES 273-1/2015 2 "Sodium Chloride – Part 1: Food Salt" (9 pages, in Arabic) that supersedes its last edition in 2005 that has already been mandated by Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005.
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This Ministerial Decree provides producers and importers a transitional period of six months to comply with the modified Egyptian Standard ES 273-1/2015 "Sodium Chloride – Part 1: Food Salt" that supersedes ES No. 273-1/2005 "Sodium Chloride part 1: Food Salt" that has already been mandated by Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005.  This standard complies with Codex Standard No.150/1985 for food grade salt and B.S No. 998/1990 Amend 2006 "Specification for Vacuum Salt for food use".  This standard specifies the essential requirements and descriptive criteria for food grade salt fortified with Iodine.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Health and consumer protection
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Codex Stand. No. 150 – 1985, (Rev.1-1997 Amend-1-1999, Amend-2–2001) for Food Grade Salt</li><li>• BS No. 998 /1990 Amend 2006 – Specification for Vacuum Salt for Food Use</li><li>• Ministerial Decree No. 536/2015</li><li>• Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005</li></ul>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 21 July 2015 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 12 August 2015
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from date of the notification
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Motadarrebeen St., Ameriya Cairo – Egypt Tel: (+202) 22845528 Fax: (+202) 22845504 E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:tbt@eos.org.eg">tbt@eos.org.eg</a>