NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 18 May 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

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| Movement of Certain Genetically Engineered Organisms [Docket No. APHIS-2018-0034] |
| APHIS is amending the regulations regarding the movement (importation, interstate movement, and environmental release) of certain genetically engineered organisms in response to advances in genetic engineering and our understanding of the plant pest risk posed by genetically engineered organisms, thereby reducing the regulatory burden for developers of organisms that are unlikely to pose plant pest risks. This final rule, which marks the first comprehensive revision of the regulations since they were established in 1987, provides a clear, predictable, and efficient regulatory pathway for innovators, facilitating the development of genetically engineered organisms that are unlikely to pose plant pest risks. (Federal Register Vol. 85, No. 96, Monday 18 May 2020 pp. 29790-29838) |
| **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/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: |
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