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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION¹

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| 1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Ministry of Health and Welfare (MOHW) No. 161-2, Kunyang St, Nangang District, Taipei City, Taiwan Telephone: (886-2) 2787-8000 ext 7354 Fax: (886-2) 2653-1062 E-mail: chelsea2237@fda.gov.tw 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: |
| 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Agricultural products including plant, algae original, no matter fresh, freeze, frozen, fried, and processing by other methods, other food products and box meal |
| 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice (food No. 1061301241) issued by Ministry of Health and Welfare: "Draft of Food Businesses Shall Establish Traceability System of Food Products" (9 page(s), in English; 7 page(s), in Chinese) |
| 6. Description of content: According to article 9 of the Act Governing Food and Safety Sanitation, the MOHW shall regulate the designated food businesses to establish traceability system in order to trace the source and track the flow. Since 2014, the MOHW has designated 22 categories of food businesses to establish their own traceability system. Based on risk evaluation and food safety consideration this draft amendment will add. 3 more categories (namely Agricultural products including plant, algae original, no matter fresh, freeze, frozen, dried, and processing by other methods, other food products and box meal) of food businesses to establish the traceability system. |
| 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer information, labelling |

¹ Please note this notification was submitted to the WTO on 23 October 2017.

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| 8. Relevant documents: (1) Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation, (2) Enforcement Rules of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation, (3) Regulations Governing Traceability of Foods and Relevant Products, (4) Food Businesses Shall Establish Traceability System of Food Products [Public Notice (food No.1051304597) issued by Ministry of Health and Welfare]. |
| 9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2018, 1 January 2019, or 1 January 2021, depending on the categories and scales of the food business. For detailed information, please refer to the attachment. |
| 10. Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification. |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: WTO/TBT Enquiry Point Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs No. 4, Sec 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist, Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel: (+886-2) 2343-1916 Fax: (+886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbteng@bsmi.gov.tw https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/TPKM/17_4744_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/TPKM/17_4744_00_x.pdf |