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Report Highlights:

Pursuant to General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) Department of Animal and Plant Quarantine (DAPQ) requirements, popcorn exporters are required to register exporting facilities prior to product shipment. Exporters seeking to register a U.S. facility or update a U.S. facility registration to export popcorn to China from the United States are advised to submit a registration request to the Office of Agricultural Affairs at the U.S. Embassy, Beijing. This report provides information on the process, requirements, current registrations, and points of contact.

Summary

The GACC DAPQ requires that facilities that export popcorn be registered with GACC prior to product shipment. Information provided in this report is only applicable to U.S. exports of popcorn to China.

Prior to submitting a registration request, U.S. companies should first check the list of approved U.S. facilities on the GACC website to confirm if the facility is already listed. The current list of U.S. grain and related facilities registered to export to China can be found at the following link:

GACC List of Overseas Registered Enterprises

(Note: The above website lists facilities registered to export to the People's Republic of China by exporting country. Please select Item 28 for facilities from the United States. End Note).

List of Registered Enterprises Exporting Grain (and other products) from the United States

(Note: Currently, popcorn facilities are included on Tab 1 of the Excel spreadsheet, which also includes barley, wheat, corn, soybean, and sorghum. Tab 2 includes fresh potatoes. Tab 3 includes dried beans, dried peas, pulses, and lentils. Tab 4 currently includes other edible grains. Tab 5 includes minor oilseeds. End Note).

U.S. companies and exporters whose facilities are not currently on the registered list or that would like to update facility information should submit information to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, Office of Agricultural Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, China (FAS China). General questions about the registration process prior to submitting a registration request should be sent to AgBeijing@usda.gov.

Once a U.S. facility is prepared to submit a registration request to FAS China, email correspondence should go to: **FASChinaDAPQRegistrations@usda.gov** with "Popcorn" and the facility name included on the email subject line.

Information necessary for registration includes:

- **1. Product Type** (i.e., Popcorn.)
- **2. Facility Registration Number** (i.e., A unique identifying number for the facility that could be disclosed and shared publicly such as a U.S. Food and Drug Administration Firm Establishment Identifier (FEI) or an Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number (EIN). Other unique facility registration numbers that could be published may also be acceptable.)
- **3.** Company/Facility Name (i.e., Name that will be associated with shipment documents and/or any packaging.)
- **4. Facility Address** (i.e., Location of facility from where product will be shipped from and/or documents issued. Note: Be consistent with abbreviations and naming such as "Rd" or "Road," "St" or "Street," and "N" or "North".)

CAUTION: Exporters and facilities should ensure consistency as any discrepancies in the above, once listed on the GACC website and when product arrives at a Chinese port and presented for customs clearance, could result in delays or shipment detention.

Upon receipt of the above information, FAS China will review the information for completeness and submit the information to GACC DAPQ. The length of time it may take GACC DAPQ to update and publish information on its website may vary and FAS China is unable to estimate how long the process may take from submission to publication.

IMPORTANT: U.S. exporters are cautioned to not ship products from facilities that are not updated on the GACC DAPQ registered facility list. Only once a facility is listed, should product be shipped. Submitting facility information or updated facility information to FAS China does not constitute registration with GACC DAPQ.

Again, for questions related to the registration process for exports of popcorn to China, please contact <u>AgBeijing@usda.gov</u>. Once questions have been addressed, registration applications should be sent to <u>FASChinaDAPQRegistrations@usda.gov</u>.

The attachment to this report, below, lists the facilities registered with GACC DAPQ as of October 23, 2023. GACC DAPQ has not updated the date within the spreadsheet in the heading field, Row A, Column 1 of Tab 1, but the file title reflects the correct upload date.

Attachments:

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