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Report Highlights:

Pursuant to General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) Decree 177 of 2016, all overseas production, processing and storage enterprises are required to register with GACC prior to exporting "grains" including soybeans, corn, wheat, barley, sorghum, and oats – including edible grains. These requirements are in addition to U.S. requirements under the United States Grain Standards Act (USGSA), which requires the registration of all persons engaged in the business of buying grain for sale in foreign commerce, and in the business of handling, weighing, or transporting grain for sale in foreign commerce. Each year, U.S. enterprises must register with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) before shipping "grains" to China. This report is a reminder for entities to register by December 15 to be included on the FGIS Registered Grain Exporters Directory which is generally submitted to GACC in early January.

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Summary

Under Decree 177 (see GAIN Report <u>CH16003</u>), GACC requires all overseas production, processing and storage enterprises are required to register with GACC prior to exporting "grains" to China. Each year, AMS/FGIS provides GACC with a list of U.S. entities exporting soybeans, corn, wheat, barley, sorghum, and oats – including edible grains, to China. The current list of U.S. grain exporting companies can be found at the link below:

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, "U.S. Grain Exporting Companies" are on Tab 1 of the Excel spreadsheet labeled 大麦、小麦、玉米、大豆、高粱出口企业. End Note).

How to Register

To register or renew a registration as a grain or oilseed exporter, please visit the following website for instructions https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/fgis/ddr-export-registration-instructions. Please note that registrations are not complete until payment is received. The FGIS annual Exporter Registration requires a payment be submitted with the application. Payments can be made using Pay.gov or existing FMMI accounts. Instructions for Pay.gov and completing payment can also be found on the website mentioned above.

Important Registration Information

Companies that ship grain to China without an updated registration on the GACC website, may have their shipments refused entry. Therefore, it is imperative that companies planning to export grain to China ensure that they register through AMS/FGIS. To prevent any lapse in registration entities should register by December 15 to be included on the FGIS Registered Grain Exporters Directory which is generally submitted to GACC in early January.

The GACC system publishes the following information related to Decree 177:

- 1. Company/Facility Name (i.e., Name that will be associated with shipment documents and/or any packaging.)
- **2.** 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".)
- 3. Company Telephone Number

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.

AMS/FGIS transmits an updated list of U.S. Grain Exporting Companies to the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Office of Agricultural Affairs at the U.S. Embassy, Beijing for submission to GACC on a rolling basis throughout the year. The length of time it may take GACC Department of Animal and Plant Quarantine (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. <u>Submitting facility information or updated facility information to AMS/FGIS and transmission by FAS China to GACC DAPQ does not constitute registration with GACC DAPQ.</u>

Contact Information

For questions regarding the exporter registration requirement or process, please contact FGIS Quality Assurance and Compliance Division (QACD) at FGISQACD@usda.gov.

Entry challenges within China should be referred to FAS China. Please contact <u>AgBeijing@usda.gov</u> for assistance.

Attachments:

No Attachments.