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Mexico Adjusts Tariff Codes for Various Agricultural Products

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Report Highlights:

The Secretariat of Economy (SE) published in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register), June 29, 2012 an announcement that harmonizes various Mexican tariff codes with the World Customs Organization's "Fifth Amendment to the Nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System" (HS). There are no changes to tariff rates. Affected product categories include: cattle, poultry, sugar, seeds for planting, grains, cereals and fruits.

General Information:

This report summarizes an announcement by SE published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" on June 29, 2012 that harmonizes various tariff codes of Mexico's General Import and Export Tariff Law with the World Customs Organization's "Fifth Amendment to the Nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System" (HS).

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Title: Decree amending the General Import and Export Tariff Law, by amending various tariffs of the General Import and Export Tariff Law; by establishing the system of imports into the northern border and border region, and in establishing the general import tax for the border region and the northern border.

Summary:

The member countries of the World Customs Organization, where Mexico is a full member, agreed to issue the "Fifth Amendment to the Nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System" (HS). Mexico considered it necessary to create, modify and delete various tariff codes as well as texts and codes of some headings and subheadings of the General Import and Export Tariff Law in order to suit the changes contained in this amendment. It is important to note that there are NO changes to tariff rates.

In the agricultural sector, the HS tariff classifications of some merchandise like cattle, poultry, sugar, seeds for planting, grains, cereals and fruits, were modified. On June 29, 2012, SE published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" all the list with the modifications. The information can be consulted at the following web page: http://dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5254357&fecha=29/06/2012

Important Dates

- 1. Publication Date:** June 29, 2012.
- 2. Effective Date:** July 1, 2012

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