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Mexico Proposes Amendment to NOM 022

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Report Highlights:

On July 20, 2010, SAGARPA announced a proposal to amend NOM 022. U.S. exports will not be affected by this draft amendment. This proposed amendment was notified to the WTO in July 2010.

Executive Summary: On July 20, 2010, the Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) announced a proposal to amend Mexican Official Regulation NOM-022-ZOO-1995 in the "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register). This draft amendment would establish animal health characteristics and specifications for facilities, equipment and operations of establishments which market chemical, pharmaceutical, biological and food products for animal use or consumption. The 60-day comment period ends on September 17, 2010.

General Information:

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) announced, on July 20, 2010, draft amendment to Mexican Official Regulation NOM-022-ZOO-1995 in the "Diario Oficial" (Mexican Federal Register). This NOM was first published on January 31, 1996. Specifically, this draft amendment will apply to facilities located within Mexico. Mexican law does provide the authority for SAGARPA to amend this NOM. This proposed amendment was notified to the WTO in July 2010.

FAS/Mexico Comment: U.S. exports will not be affected by this draft amendment. This NOM strictly applies to facilities located in Mexico. Imported products must comply with the following regulations: NOM-012-ZOO-1993; NOM-061-ZOO-1999 and NOM-064-ZOO-2000.

Important Dates

1. Publication Date: July 20, 2010.
2. Implementation Date: July 21, 2010
3. Comment Period: 60 days – September 17, 2010

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