NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** China  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Starch-based plastic materials and related production for food contacting usage |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X] All trading partners**  **[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Starch-based Plastic Materials and Related Production for Food Contacting Usage. **Language(s):** Chinese. **Number of pages:** 3  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CHN/18_2733_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This safety standard specifies the requirements for scope, raw materials, starch content, organoleptic properties, chemical restrictions, additives, migration experiment and labeling for starch-based plastic materials and related production for food contacting usage. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[****X] None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]** **Yes [ ]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 29 July 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:** |
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