NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Deparment of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards |
| **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):** Food or systems for control of food, raw materials, processing and distribution, including in-process and finished product testing |
| **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:** Philippine National Standard-Principle for Traceability/Product Tracing as a Tool Within a Food Inspection and Certification System. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4  <http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/PHL/17_3940_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This document elaborates a set of principles to assist responsible competent authorities in utilising traceability/product tracing as a tool within their food inspection and certification system. This document should be read in conjunction with all relevant Codex texts as well as those adopted by International Plant Protection Committee (IPPC) and World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) where appropriate. |
| **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:**  **[****X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**CAC/GL 60:2006  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] 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. |
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| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 6 November 2017  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Department of Agriculture (DA)  Office of the Director  Policy Research Service  Department of Agriculture  Elliptical Road, Diliman  Quezon City  Tel: +(632) 926 7439  Fax: +(632) 928 0590  E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph  or  Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards  BPI Compound, Visayas Avenue, Diliman  Quezon City  Tel: +(632) 455 0031  +(632) 455 2858  +(632) 455 2856  Fax: +(632) 455 0031  E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph  Website: <http://bafs.da.gov.ph> |
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