NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture |
| **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):** Apples, Citrus Fruits, Grapes, Longan, Lychee, Oranges, Pears |
| **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:** PNS/BAFS Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs): Apples, Citrus fruits, Grapes, Longan, Lychee, Oranges, Pears (Final Draft). **Language(s):**English. **Number of pages:** 8  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/PHL/18_4673_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** These adopted MRLs for selected imported crops is an adoption of the list of harmonized MRLs of pesticide products from the ASEAN MRLs Database. It is envisioned that compliance with these set limits will minimize regulatory disparities and enhance the trade as well as promote consumer protection against harmful effects of pesticides. |
| **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)*:**Codex Pesticides Residues in Food Online Database  <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/standards/pestres/en/>  **[ ]** **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. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[****X] 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 October 2018  **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:**  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 0031/455 2858/455 2856  Fax: +(632) 455 0031  E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph  Website: <http://bafs.da.gov.ph> |
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