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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> 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): Corn grits
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Philippine National Standard (PNS) for Corn (Maize) Grits – Grading and Classification (Working draft). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 8 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/PHL/18_3220_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The Philippine National Standard (PNS) for corn (maize) grits (<i>Zea mays</i> Linn.) – grading and classification (PNS/BAFPS 15:2004) aims to provide uniform guidance on the classification of corn grits based on their physical characteristics and current practices existing in the sectors concerned.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <ul style="list-style-type: none">– CAC/RCP 1-1969 (Rev. 2003), General Principles of Food Hygiene;– Codex Alimentarius Volume 2. (1993), Pesticide Residues in Food, 2nd ed.;– Codex Alimentarius Volume 7. (1996), Cereals, Pulses, Legumes and Derived Products and Vegetable Proteins, Volume 7, 2nd ed.; <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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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