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Mexico

Post: Mexico

TAP Update--Mexico--Late November 2013

Report Categories:

Export Accomplishments - Other

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Report Highlights:

Post reports its late November 2013 TAP updates.

Accomplishments in TAP Priority Countries						
Country	Accomplishment	Priority TAP Issue Categories				
		Meat	New Tech	Specialty Crops	Trade Agreements	Other
Brazil						
CAFTA-DR						

Canada						
China						
Colombia						
EU-27						
Indonesia						
Japan						
Malaysia						
Mexico	After significant and prolonged engagement by FAS Mexico, SENASICA provided draft text on November 29 for 7 of 12 beef product category requirement sheets (e.g., beef cuts, offals, ground beef, etc.) that will allow OTM beef from the United States and could very likely lead to the elimination of the export verification program for U.S. beef exports to Mexico.	Yes.				
Panama						
Peru						
Philippines						
Russia						
South Korea						
Taiwan						
Vietnam						

Accomplishments on TAP-Priority Issues in Non-TAP Countries

Country	Accomplishment	Priority TAP Issue Categories			
		Meat	New Tech	Special-ty Crops	Trade Agreements

Trade Promotion and Released Shipment Accomplishments

Country	Accomplishment	Trade Shows	Trade Mission	Released* Shipments	Other
Mexico	On November 21, 2013, FAS Mexico facilitated the export of U.S. \$540,000 in			X	

	<p>pork leaf fat over the next 12 months for Vectra International (Sioux City, IA, PC: 51101) and Premium Iowa Pork, LLC (Hospers, IA, PC: 51238, Est. #21069). The product was detained at the border as the labeling was not considered acceptable to Mexican border personnel. FAS provided insight into the constraints and suggested a work around that enabled the load to cross the border the same day.</p>				

*not all released shipments may be accounted for in this table.