NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 3 April 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

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| Final Rule: Importation of Fresh Cherimoya Fruit from Chile into the United States (Docket # APHIS-2015-0015) |
| The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is amending the regulations to allow the importation of fresh cherimoya fruit from Chile into the continental United States in accordance with a systems approach as an alternative to the current required treatment. Commercial consignments of fresh cherimoya fruit are currently authorized entry into all ports of the United States from Chile subject to a mandatory soapy water and wax treatment. The systems approach includes requirements for production site registration, low pest prevalence area certification, post-harvest processing, and inspection at the packinghouse. The fruit will also be required to be imported in commercial consignments and accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate with an additional declaration stating that the consignment was produced in accordance with the regulations. Fresh cherimoya fruit that does not meet the conditions of the systems approach or is imported into locations outside the continental United States will continue to be allowed to be imported into the United States subject to the current soapy water and wax treatment. This will allow for the importation of fresh cherimoya fruit from Chile while continuing to provide protection against the introduction of plant pests into the continental United States. [Federal Register Vol. 83, No. 61, Thursday, 29 March 2018 pp. 13375-13378] |
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