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Report Highlights:

On December 3, the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) published a "Single Window User Manual" for overseas enterprises attempting to register their facilities in line with the requirements of Decree 248. Additionally, GACC provided an updated list of products that would necessitate an overseas facility having to register within the Single Window website. With GACC's planned implementation of Decree 248 on January 1, 2022, training sessions are becoming a vital means of supporting awareness to the Decree requirements. USDA stakeholders interested in receiving training are encouraged to contact the FAS China office listed in this report.

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Background:

GACC continues making "systems improvements" to the Single Window website. As of December 7, these "system improvements" include downloadable "Single Window User Manuals" (in Chinese) for both "Overseas Competent Authorities (16 pages)" as well as "Overseas Enterprises (31 pages)" and another 550+ lines of products that would require an overseas facility to register. The two user manuals as published and available on December 7 are attached to this report. In addition, an Excel file with the current version of the products requiring registration is attached. The official and original data in the Excel file is in Chinese. The file includes a machine-translated worksheet with the data cells in English. (Note: Look for the most current sheets in the Excel file). The FAS China office made the UNOFFICIAL translation of the data by machine translating the pages in the Single Window website. All interested parties are encouraged to contact GACC with any questions about the registration process. Contact points are listed at the end of this report.

The China Inspection and Quarantine Association (CIQA) provided a brief, recorded training session on November 27, 2021, with an English language voice over to explain the steps of completing the registration process. CIQA is closely affiliated with GACC and has been able to have GACC officials deliver trainings in the past. CIQA held another training session on the Single Window and Decree 248 on December 3. No recording of the December 3 training session is available currently. A link to the November 27 CIQA training and its seven-minute video walking viewers through the registration process is available at the following link:

https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/bh8ZdaZaod2uDu-vPa536A

Viewers are encouraged to scroll down the website until they see the embedded video file: 英文版注册指南

FAS China Organized Information Session on Decree 248

To raise awareness and increase understanding of Decree 248 and the self-registration process among importers and distributors of U.S. products in China, the FAS China Agricultural Trade Office in Beijing (ATO Beijing) will host a livestream and in-person training conducted in Mandarin Chinese on December 16, 2021.

U.S. industry, including USDA Cooperator organizations, interested in the training should contact ATO Beijing for registration. Registration for the livestream training is ongoing and bandwidth is limited. Registration will be open until December 14 or until capacity is reached. USDA stakeholders interested in the training should email ATOBeijing.gov and provide their contact information. ATO Beijing staff will then respond with instruction on how to access the training on a first-come, first-served basis.

Food & Agricultural Products Importer Outreach and Training: GACC Decree 248

Time and Date: 1:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m. (Beijing Time), December 16, 2021 /

12:30 a.m. – 2:20 a.m. (Eastern Time), December 16, 2021

Live Venue: Beijing American Center, U.S. Embassy Beijing

Video Link: To Be Provided Training Language: Mandarin Chinese

FAS China has published the following reports on Decrees 248 and 249 to inform and educate U.S. food and agricultural stakeholders.

- Decree 248 HS Codes Published in GACC Single Window November 30, 2021
- <u>Informing Industry and Supporting Trade Facilitation as China Implements Decrees 248 and 249 November 10, 2021</u>
- Decree 248 Information Update November 19, 2021
- GACC Issues Interpretation of Decree 248 November 6, 2021
- Decree 248 Foreign Facilities Self-Registration Website Launched November 3, 2021
- Decree 248 Unofficial Self-Registration Guide for Overseas Food Facilities November 2, 2021
- Notes from Information Sessions on GACC Decrees 248 and 249 October 22, 2021
- GACC Issues Explanatory Letter on Decree 248 October 8, 2021
- Interpretative Guidance on Imported Food Labeling Requirements in Decree 249 August 13, 2021
- Decrees 248 and 249 Status Update on Facilities Registration and Food Safety Measures May 25, 2021
- Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety Decree 249 May 7, 2021
- Overseas Facilities Registration Regulation Decree 248 April 20, 2021
- China Notified the Draft Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety December 11, 2020
- <u>China Notifies Revised Overseas Facilities Registration Regulations as TBT 1522 December 2, 2020</u>
- China Released Draft Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Producers of Imported Foods -December 6, 2019

In the Explanatory Letter issued by GACC to foreign embassies (see report dated October 8, above), GACC provided the following contact points for inquiries on Decrees 248 and 249:

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Attachments:

211130 GACC Decree 248 HS Code List and FAS China Annotations.xlsx

211207 Overseas Competent Authorities Single Window Standard User Manual cn.pdf

211207 Overseas Enterprises Single Window Standard User Manual cn.pdf