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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: New Zealand If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)
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): Poultry (duck, turkey and chicken) hatching eggs and specific-pathogen-free (SPF) eggs from chickens.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners, or [] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Import Health Standard for Commercial Poultry Hatching Eggs and Specific-Pathogen-Free Chicken Eggs, June 2012; Risk Management Proposal for Commercial Poultry Hatching Eggs and Specific-Pathogen-Free Chicken Eggs, June 2012 Language: English Number of pages: 15 and 23
6.	Description of content: This Import Health Standard provides New Zealand's mitigation measures for a number of diseases related to poultry hatching eggs or SPF eggs. These are generic measures and bilateral veterinary certificates will be negotiated with countries that New Zealand approves importations of poultry hatching eggs or SPF eggs from. Current approved countries are Australia, Canada, European Union, the United States of America for chicken hatching eggs and turkey hatching eggs. Australia is the current approved country for SPF eggs.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [x] 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: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>) [x] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>Terrestrial Animal Health Code, chapter number 6.4 and 10</i>)

☐ International Plant Protection Convention (*e.g. ISPM N°*)

☐ None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Some diseases have measures as per the requirements of the OIE code. Some diseases have mitigation measures that are not described by the Code or are stricter than the Code in accordance with NZ's appropriate level of protection.

9. **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**
Import Risk Analysis: Hatching eggs from chickens (*Gallus gallus*) from the European Union, Canada, the United States of America, and Australia (February 2009, English), Draft Import Risk Analysis: Hatching eggs for domestic ducks (*Anas platyrhynchos domesticus* and *Cairina moschata*) from the European Union, Canada, the United States of America, and Australia (May 2012) and Draft Guidance document for Commercial Poultry Hatching Eggs and Specific-Pathogen-Free Chicken Eggs (June 2012, English)

10. **Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):** 10th October 2012

Propose date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 10th October 2012

11. **Proposed date of entry into force:** ☐ Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10th October 2012

☐ Trade facilitating measure

12. **Final date for comments: Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):** 10th August 2012

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☐ National Enquiry Point. **Address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:** Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@maf.govt.nz

13. **Texts available from:** ☒ National Notification Authority, ☐ National Enquiry Point. **Address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:** Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@maf.govt.nz
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