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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6 $\,$

1.	Notifying Member: <u>VIET NAM</u>
	If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible:
	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development Department of Cooperative Economy and Rural Development No. 2 Ngoc Ha street, Ba Dinh District, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel: (+84-24) 38437673 Fax: (+84-24) 38438791 Website: http://dcrd.gov.vn/Home
	Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Sodium chloride salt; Salt (including table salt and denatured salt) and pure sodium chloride, whether or not in aqueous solution or containing added anti-caking or free-flowing agents; sea water. (HS 2501).
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The draft Circular amending and supplementing a number of articles of Circular No.34/2014/TT-BNNPTNT Guiding quality inspection of imported salt (12 page(s), in Vietnamese)
6.	Description of content: This Circular provides the contents of and procedures for the quality inspection of imported salt within the state management of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.
	The import of salt in the following cases is not regulated by this Circular but must comply with current management regulations:
	a) Temporary import for re-export, border-gate transfer or transit;
	b) Import for export production or goods processing for foreign traders;
	c) Personal luggage, sample goods for testing or research, goods for exhibitions or fairs, refined salts (Pa) used as reagents in chemical analysis, salt in donations, and cosmetic salt, salt for feeding aquarium.
	Articles to be amended and supplemented in this draft Circular includes:
	- Clause 2, Clause 3 and Clause 4 of Article 3
	- Clause 1 of Article 4
	- Clause 1 and Clause 2 of Article 6

- Clause 2 and Clause 4 of Article 8
- Clause 3 of Article 9
- Amending some terms in Article 11, Article 15 and Article 16

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of animal or plant life or health

8. Relevant documents:

- Law on Food Safety 2010;
- Law on Product and Goods Quality 2007;
- Law on Standards and Technical Regulations 2006;

- Decree No.132/2008/ND-CP, dated 31 December 2008 of the Government detailing the implementation of a number of articles of the Law on Product and Goods Quality.

- Decree No.38/2012/ND-CP dated 28/01/2012 of the Government detailing some articles of the Law on Food Safety;

- Decree No.09/2016/ND-CP dated 28/01/206 of the Government regulating the fortification of food with micronutrients;

- Decree No.40/2017/ND-CP dated 05/4/2017 of the Government on management of salt production and trading.

9. Proposed date of adoption: December 2017

Proposed date of entry into force: January 2018

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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