NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Japan  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  **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):** Fertilizer (HS: 3102, 3105) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft amendment of the Official Standards for Normal Fertilizers (1 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Deregulating the requirement for the components of "By-product liquid (fluid) nitrogen fertilizer". |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** To revise the Official Specifications for Normal Fertilizers, which, reflecting advancement of agricultural and scientific technology, contributes to human health and promotes agricultural productivity. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** Fertilizer Regulation Act (1950 Law No.127). When the revision is adopted, relevant documents are to be publicised in the Official Gazette, "KAMPO" (Available in Japanese). |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:**November 2017  **Proposed date of entry into force:**December 2017 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 30 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:**  Japan TBT Enquiry Point International Trade Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: (+81) 3 5501 8343 E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/JPN/17_4635_00_e.pdf> |