



NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 May 2014, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Canada.

Improved Food Inspection Model: Expanded to Integrated Agency Inspection Model

Notice is hereby given that the proposal notified in G/TBT/N/CAN/365/Rev.1/Add.3 (dated 18 October 2013) has been amended to create this draft integrated Agency Inspection Model. It has been updated to incorporate plant and animal commodity (fertilizer, seed, plant, feed, and animal) inspection systems. The integrated Agency Inspection Model will replace the Improved Food Inspection Model. Four key areas have been adjusted:

- The glossary of terms has been revised to improve understanding of the terminology used in the model.
- Permissions, formerly called Licensing, have been modified to provide for permission without a preventive control plan. This was done in recognition of the need for regulatory oversight of one time/low frequency importers or exporters with respect to animal and plant health requirements. The preventive control plan section and annex have had the animal and plant commodity aspects integrated.
- CFIA oversight has been broadened to encompass animal and plant commodities.
- Regulatory Response, formerly called Compliance and Enforcement, has been re-organized to better articulate CFIA actions. The first type of response is that initiated by lack of compliance on the part of regulated parties. The second type of response is that initiated by events that are the responsibility of the Agency to control, such as pest and disease incursions and contaminant events.

Canada welcomes comments until 18 July 2014.

WTO members are encouraged to direct their comments to the following coordinates:

By email: CFIA-Modernisation-ACIA@inspection.gc.ca with the subject line "Integrated Agency Inspection Model".

The draft integrated Agency Inspection Model and related documents are available at:

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/about-the-cfia/accountability/inspection-modernization/eng/1337025084336/1337025428609> (English)

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/au-sujet-de-l-acia/responsabilisation/modernisation-de-l-inspection/fra/1337025084336/1337025428609> (French)
