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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

<p>1. Notifying Member: VIET NAM If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</p>
<p>2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Industry and Trade Agency for Innovation, Green Transition and Industry Promotion 54, Hai Ba Trung street, Cua Nam ward, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel.: 84.24.22218282 Website: https://igip.gov.vn/</p>
<p>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:</p>
<p>4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Manioc starch (HS code(s): 110814); Starch and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.180.20)</p>
<p>5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Draft National Technical Regulation for food cassava starch (QCVN xx:2025/BCT); (7 page(s), in Vietnamese) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/VNM/25_09030_00_x.pdf https://moit.gov.vn/du-thao-van-ban/du-thao-thong-tu-ban-hanh-quy-chuan-ky-thuat-quoc-gia-doi-voi-san-pham-tinh-bot-san-thuc-pham.html Ministry of Industry and Trade Agency for Innovation, Green Transition and Industry Promotion 54, Hai Ba Trung street, Cua Nam ward, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel.: 84.24.22218282 Website: https://igip.gov.vn/</p>
<p>6. Description of content: This draft technical regulation defines the limits for physical, chemical, safety indicators and management requirements, applicable to dry cassava starch used in food. Dry cassava starch is defined as the starch product obtained from cassava roots, cassava chips or cassava flour of the species <i>Manihot esculenta</i> Crantz. This technical regulation does not apply to modified cassava starch and cassava flour. This draft technical regulation applies to organizations and individuals involved in the production, trading, and importation cassava flour products in Viet Nam and related organizations and individuals. With regard to management requirements, the labeling and self-declaration of cassava starch products intended for use in food use shall comply with current regulations. Product labeling shall be carried out in accordance with Government Decree No. 43/2017/NĐ-CP dated April 14, 2017 on goods labeling; Decree No. 111/2021/NĐ-CP dated December 9,</p>

<p>2021 amending and supplementing certain provisions of Decree No. 43/2017/NĐ-CP; and other relevant legal documents. Prior to being placed on the market, cassava starch products for food use—whether imported, produced, or traded domestically—must be self-declared in conformity with the requirements of this Technical Regulation. The dossier and procedures for self-declaration shall comply with Articles 4 and 5 of Government Decree No. 15/2018/NĐ-CP dated February 02, 2018 detailing the implementation of several provisions of the Law on Food Safety, based on adherence to the principles of food safety management stipulated in Article 3 of the same Decree.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Effective quality management</p> <p>Development of cassava starch production in Vietnam; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <p>Explanatory Report on the Draft National Technical Regulation for food cassava starch</p>
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: 28 February 2026</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 31 August 2026</p>
<p>10. Provision of comments</p> <p>Final date for comments: 16 February 2026</p> <p>[X] 60 days from notification</p> <p>Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:</p> <p>Viet Nam TBT Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Commission for the Standards, Metrology and Quality of Viet Nam Ministry of Science and Technology Tel: +(84 24) 37 91 21 45 Fax: +(84 24) 37 91 34 41 Email: tbtvn@tcvn.gov.vn Website: https://tcvn.gov.vn/</p>