



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
PLANT PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

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To: Mr. Osama El-Lissy
Deputy Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
United States Department of Agriculture

Subject: Decision to lift suspension of U.S Dried Distillers Grain (DDGS)

Dear Mr. Osama El-Lissy,

I am writing to inform you of that the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of Vietnam has issued the Decision No 3566/QĐ-BNN-BVTV dated September 1st 2017 to resume import of DDGS from United States into Vietnam.

In order to implement the Decision, the Plant Protection Department of Vietnam (PPD) will issue phytosanitary import permits for U.S. DDGS from **September 1st, 2017**. The phytosanitary import permit shall be delivered by PPD to the importer. This phytosanitary import permit will be presented by the U.S exporter to APHIS to request a phytosanitary certificate.

In additional, PPD would like to inform that phosphine is accepted for treatment of DDGS, corn and wheat from the U.S before export to Vietnam, complying with the agreed treatment procedures (see the attachment). The information of fumigation including date, location of the fumigation, fumigant, duration and temperature of treatment should be specified in the phytosanitary certificate.

However, if any interception of living quarantine pest of Vietnam, PPD will apply the phytosanitary measures according to our regulations.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,



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Director General
Plant Protection Department, Vietnam

Attachment: Requirements for U.S. dried distillers grain (DDG), corn and wheat

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Attachment: Requirements for U.S. dried distillers grain (DDG), corn and wheat for export to Vietnam

I. In marine bulk cargo holds:

1. Official stowage inspection of all cargo holds prior to loading;
2. Official observation and certification of phosphine or methyl bromide fumigation of DDGS, corn and wheat;
3. The phosphine fumigation schedule for DDGS, corn and wheat will correspond to the below table;
4. Recirculation system for in transit fumigation of bulk loaded DDGS, corn and wheat in ship's holds;
5. Official fumigation management plans will require hatch cover seals and note need for monitoring the continuous operation of fumigant recirculation blowers throughout specified duration of fumigation;
6. An Additional Declaration on the official export phytosanitary certificate will read: The inspected consignment conforms to the requirements for DDGS/Corn/Wheat for export to Vietnam;

Phosphine Treatment Schedule for DDGS, Using Recirculation System, Hold of Marine Vessel for export to Vietnam

Commodity temperature (°C)	Commodity temperature(°F)	Minimum PH3 Pellets or Tablets and PH3 Gas Concentration	Minimum Exposure Period
10-15	50-59	45gm/1000 cu ft for minimum of 750 ppmv	5 days
15-20	60-69	45gm/1000 cu ft for minimum of 750 ppmv	4 days
>20	>70	45gm/1000 cu ft for minimum of 750 ppmv	3 days

II. In shipping containers:

1. Official stowage inspection of all containers prior to loading;
2. Official observation and certification of phosphine or methyl bromide fumigation of DDGS, corn and wheat;
3. The phosphine fumigation schedule for DDG, corn and wheat will correspond to the below table;
4. Given the relatively high density of DDG, centre mass gas concentration levels of phosphine in containers of DDGS will be noted at least every 24 hours throughout the specified duration of treatment.

5. Placement of screening material over container vents and doors for pest exclusion during aeration of fumigant;

6. An Additional Declaration on the official export phytosanitary certificate will read: The inspected 1 consignment conforms to the requirements for DDGs/Corn/Wheat for export to Vietnam.

Phosphine treatment schedule for DDGS, shipping containers for export to Vietnam

Commodity temperature (°C)	Commodity temperature (°F)	Minimum PH₃ Pellets or Tablets and PH₃ Gas Concentration	Minimum Exposure Period
10-15	50-59	750 ppmv	5 days
15-20	60-69	750 ppmv	4 days
>20	>70	750 ppmv	3 days